

OTTAWA JEWISH BULLETIN & REVIEW

HAPPY PASSOVER



"And the Eternal brought us forth from Egypt with a strong hand and with an outstretched arm."

At this season
of our freedom,
may you and yours be blessed
with every happiness.

Vaad Report

by Gerald Berger

President, Ottawa Vaad Ha'Ir
Jewish Community Council



Commonwealth Jewish Panel

In conjunction with the Commonwealth Jewish Exhibit presently on display in the Social Hall of the Jewish Community Centre, I attended the monthly Breakfast of Congregation Beth Shalom on Sunday, April 6 which featured a panel of five members of the local Jewish community who talked about their recollection of life as Jews in other Commonwealth countries.

The panelists included David Steinberg, who spent several years in the Barbados and the other four who were born and raised in the countries of which they spoke. They were Donna Strauss, Trinidad; Jim Hassan, Gibraltar; Paul Pearl, Australia; and Roger Keen, Great Britain. The moderator for the morning was Rabbi Basil F. Herring, born in South Africa who commented that it was amazing that in spite of our diverse backgrounds, the "pintele yid" in all of us served to bring us together as a community to ensure the continuity of the Jewish people.

After the program, those present viewed the exhibit and took advantage of the presence of the panelists to ask questions and to compare notes on their personal memories of life in other communities. I was pleased to see a group of Grade 7 students from the Talmud Torah Afternoon School along with their parents at the function and I took a few moments to tour some of the exhibit with them.

I hope many of you were able to take advantage these past two weeks, of this excellent display of material from Commonwealth countries which was put together under the able chairmanship of Dan Mozerky and under the sponsorship of the Jewish Community Council, the Jewish Community Centre, the Historical Society and Canadian Jewish Congress.

On behalf of the community, I am pleased to extend a hearty Yasher Koach to Dan and warmest thanks to Beth Shalom Congregation for hosting the breakfast.

Ottawa Lodge B'nai B'rith

It is interesting to consider the diversity of the tasks one performs and the functions one attends as President of the Jewish Community. I am quite convinced, if there were seven more days and nights in the week, that they could easily be filled with communal duties.

On Tuesday, April 8, I was invited to bring greetings to the Annual Man of the Year Dinner hosted by Ottawa Lodge of B'nai B'rith at which Bill Kincaid was the guest of honour this year.

It gives me an opportunity to reflect upon the ongoing community efforts of the lodge which was the first B'nai B'rith Lodge in this community. They are well known for their volunteer services in a multitude of areas, such as Hillel Lodge where, amongst other things, they provide a bus and a driver for special outings. In the years that saw an influx of Jews from Russia, they were most generous with scholarships to help young people attend Camp B'nai B'rith or University and with volunteers to help the settling in process.

No matter what the agenda of the community, B'nai B'rithers have always come forward to participate and to offer their time and expertise. It is a well-known fact that almost every "Jewish" bingos in the community took its first tentative steps under the guidance of B'nai B'rith volunteers who were the first to become involved in this lucrative area of fund-raising.

It was my pleasure to bring greetings on your behalf at their dinner and to thank them for their contributions to this community. I have no doubt that they will continue their good work for many years to come.

Youth to Youth Program

The Ottawa Jewish Community is joining with the Project Renewal department of the United Israel Appeal of Canada and the other Canadian Jewish communities (the Atlantic and Southern Ontario Regions) who are linked with Or Yehuda, a town of 5700 families located near Tel Aviv, in a pilot project called the "Youth to Youth Program."

This will provide an opportunity for 10-12 Canadian teenagers (a portion will be from Ottawa) to participate in a two-week visit to Israel. During the first week the Canadians will live and work in Or Yehuda while being billeted in private homes in Or Yehuda. These work projects will be designed to meet local community needs and to provide our young people with a chance to make a meaningful contribution. The second week will be spent touring with a complimentary group from our Project Renewal area.

Through the process of working and travelling together it is hoped that each will gain a greater knowledge and understanding of the other. On our side, the local participants will be asked to share their experiences as well as the knowledge and understanding with us, as a community, after their return.

Prospective participants must be between 16-18 years of age, and have a keen interest in developing closer ties between Israeli and Canadian youth. The program which will take place from August 13-29, 1986 will be partly subsidized and all applicants will be chosen through a selection procedure established at the National level. It is an exciting project and I urge everyone who is interested to contact Gittel Tatz at 232-7306 as quickly as possible.

Negev Dinner slated for September 24

'86 JNF honoree plays integral role locally and internationally

Harry Goldstein, Chairman of the Jewish National Fund of Ottawa is pleased to announce the selection of Rabbi Reuven P. Bulka as Honoree for the 1986 Negev Dinner.

In making the announcement, Mr. Goldstein noted that Rabbi Bulka is an individual who has the admiration and respect of the entire community.

Since his arrival in Ottawa, Rabbi Bulka has made his presence felt both here as well as internationally. As Rabbi, he has inspired and guided the Machzikei Hadas Congregation since 1967. Active in numerous facets of the community, he is Chairman of the Rabbinic Cabinet for State of Israel Bonds and Co-chairman of the Ottawa Soviet Jewry Committee. A member of the Pastoral Care Advisory Committee for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario, he is also a member of the editorial ad-



Rabbi Reuven Bulka

visory Board of "dictionary of Pastoral Care and Counselling". As Chairman of the Rabbinical Council of America Family and Marriage Committee, Rabbi Bulka has been the editor of its Family and marriage Newsletter since 1976. Rabbi Bulka also hosts the television series "About Ourselves".

A gifted author, Rabbi Bulka has contributed scholarly articles to various journals including the *Journal of Religion and Health*, the *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* and the *International Forum for Logotherapy*. He is founder and editor of the *Journal of Psychology and Judaism*, a member of many other editorial boards and the author of numerous books.

Despite his many commitments, Rabbi Bulka still finds time to take on additional responsibilities. It is because of the integral role he plays in this community as well as his international involvement with Judaism that Rabbi Bulka is being honoured at the Negev Dinner.

The dinner will take place on Wednesday, September 24 at the Jewish Community Centre. The proceeds raised from the Negev Dinner will further the vital work of the Jewish National Fund in Israel.

Book on impact of Zundel trial is acclaimed by national media

Even before Oakville's Mosaic Press had actually printed the first copies of its new book about the impact of the Zundel trial on public opinion, the media were abuzz with news about the publication.

Co-authored by Drs. Conrad Winn and Gabriel Weimann the 200 page book, *Hate on Trial: The Zundel Affair, the Media and Public Opinion in Canada*, was featured on the front page of the *Globe and Mail*. Television and radio stations assigned their research staffs to prepare stories.

The book concludes that the trial of Nazi publisher Ernst Zundel in early 1985 and the press coverage of the trial did not increase anti-semitism in Canada. The authors' specially commissioned poll showed that most Canadians did not change their feelings as a result of the trial. Among the third who did change their feelings, the vast majority became less sympathetic to Germans and more sympathetic to Jews.

Many commentators criticized journalists for reporting the Holocaust-related allegations of Zundel and his supporters without giving Canadians enough information to decide whether or not these "revisionist" claims were true. It was widely believed that media coverage of the trial nurtured anti-semitism.

The book's authors say that while television had a strong emotional impact on the public, the effect was exactly the opposite of what many people feared. The more people watched television news, the more sympathetic they actually became to the Jewish position.

Although Zundel did not gain increased public support as a result of the trial, there is nonetheless a significant minority of Canadians whose understanding of the Holocaust



Dr. Conrad Winn

differs little from his own. These Holocaust deniers, say the authors, are mainly people who do not read newspapers, do not watch television news, and, ironically, do not even know who Zundel is.

The book compares the impact of the Zundel trial on Canadians with the impact a generation ago of the Eichmann trial on Americans. The authors analyze anti-semitism in Canada as well as prejudice against blacks, Asians, Italians and other ethnic groups. The authors identify those Canadians who are prejudiced against everyone as well as those who are singlemindedly anti-Jewish. They offer a rating of anti-semitism among the provinces and among different religious and occupational groups.

Drs. Winn and Weimann base their wide-ranging study on a national survey of 1100 Canadians conducted by Gallup; a comparison of past opinion polls in this country and the United States; an analysis of television network news and newspapers in Canada and abroad; an analysis of school books; and an analysis of prayers used in church services.



Dr. Gabriel Weimann

Winn holds the position of Professor of Political Science at Carleton University. A prolific author, he is forthcoming director of the prestigious Parliamentary Internship Programme. Weimann is Reader in Sociology at Haifa University and a recognized expert on terrorism and the media.

The authors began their collaboration when Weimann was a visiting professor at Carleton under the Canada-Israel Foundation for Academic Exchange. They completed the book using the special computer-satellite network which links the major universities of the world.

The foreword to the book was written by York University historian Irving Abella, who had publicly criticized the media for their coverage of the trial. When asked by the media for his reaction to the book, he said that he was shocked by the polling results. In his foreword, he described the book as "a landmark in the study of prejudice and racism in Canada."

The authors acknowledge financial support for their research from the Multiculturalism Directorate of the federal government and from the League for Human Rights of B'nai Brith.

Commentary

by Cynthia Engel
Editor



All is in readiness. The parsley in its appointed place. The bitter herbs and the shankbone. The charoseth. And the egg.

The silverware is shining, and the old familiar china pattern — retrieved once more for its annual airing after long months of banishment to dark basement corners in square storage cartons — gleams, set in perfect symmetry around the circumference of the Seder table.

The flat unleavened breads, uncompromising boards fashioned from flour and water, lie stiffly beneath their embroidered coverlets.

The wine glasses are filled to the brim, the most ornate, the most beautiful set centre stage for the prophet Elijah.

The company assembles and with mouth watering scents of the promised feast yet to come pervading the air, the master of his house raises the platter of matzo, removes their covering and majestically intones:

"This is the bread of affliction which our forefathers ate in the land of Egypt."

The Passover story has begun. And as it unfolds and is absorbed by the children, the hearts of those who are no longer children are filled with memories of Seders past. And they remember:

For who can listen to the "feer kashes" without recalling when the awesome duty fell to him? The weeks spent mastering the strange Hebrew sounds. The time spent memorizing, learning the tune. The final moments of anticipation until — at last — the moment of truth when the whole recitation spilled out to words of praise, and feelings of pride.

And who can dole out the symbolic ten plagues without wondering — even now — if the whole goblet will topple and ruin the purity of the snow-white Seder cloth. Inevitably someone does, and is instantly forgiven.

Or the anticipation of the grimace that accompanies the first bite of the bitter herbs, and the relief at the sweet taste of charoseth?

Who can forget the sheer delight of the afikomen hunt — you're hot, you're cold — and the high finance finagling until a fair price for its safe return is arbitrated.

Or the prickly feeling up and down the spine when it was *you* who were chosen to go to the door to open it for Elijah. What'll I do if he's there? I'll faint!

And the songs sung but once a year and stored in the memory to be brought out and sung again twelve months hence.

It is the warmth of these memories, and the gift of their own special Pesach memories to our children that keep our very essence as a People alive.

For eight days we shall eat the bread of affliction which our forefathers ate in Egypt and we shall remember. For to remember is to survive.

And despite all those of our enemies, who would have it otherwise, we *will* survive.

A Happy and Healthy Pesach to all!

**Passover 1986 will be observed
April 24-May 1**

**First Seder to be celebrated
Wednesday evening, April 23**

Passover, the festival commemorating Israel's deliverance from the yoke of Egyptian bondage more than 3,500 years ago will be ushered in on Wednesday evening, April 23 and will be observed for a period of eight days until sundown, Thursday, May 1.

This holiday is one of the first recorded instances of a people's successful fight against tyranny and oppression. It was in Egypt that the concept of social justice was born which later found its noblest expression in the words of the Hebrew prophets and its concrete expression in the Mosaic legislation.

Readers of the Bulletin should consult their synagogue publications for schedules of services, candle lighting times and other holiday information.



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Plenty of post-walk fun

A super day being planned for participants in Super Walk '86

The Super Walk '86 Committee, under the able leadership of Paula and Manny Agulnik, met recently to plan the upcoming annual Walkathon on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, to take place on Sunday, May 25 at the Jewish Community Campus, 881 Broadview. The opening ceremonies will begin at 9:00 a.m.

As everyone is aware, this year the United Jewish Appeal of Ottawa earmarked \$200,000. of the total Campaign towards "Operation Moses." The Super Walk '86 Executive Committee has decided to continue this commitment and has announced that proceeds of Super Walk '86 will be designated for "Operation Moses."

The committee has introduced a number of new features this year. The 1986 Walkathon Passport, which is enclosed in this issue of the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin and Review, for the first time ever is being sponsored by various local individuals and firms. Additional Passports are available at the Jewish Community Centre and the Jewish Community Campus.

The enthusiastic Agulniks urge everyone in the community to begin knocking on doors and calling upon friends, neighbours, and family to obtain sponsors immediately. The Passport cover has detailed instructions for all participants on how to collect monies and receipt donations. As has been the pattern for the past two



Walkathon Co-Chairman Paula Agulnik (left) reviews the preparations for UJA Super Walk '86 with Howard Goldberg, Director of Campaign Services and Faigie Stubina, Director of Women's Division. Paula's Co-Chairman, hubby Manny Agulnik, was unavailable at picture-taking time. An ardent jogger, he was out attempting to improve on his stride in time for the May 25 event.

years, the money should be collected prior to the Walk and turned in at registration. Again this year, official receipts will be mailed out from the U.J.A. Office for donations of \$5.00 and over.

Super Walk '86 will have many other innovations for those seeking additional excitement — Walkathon T-shirts will be awarded to all participants who raise a minimum of \$18; the Fur Fair, which has been expanded to include something for everyone — pony rides — the moonwalk, plus another plus — bingo and other all-time favourites — a

sponge throw, and coin-toss games.

If the weatherman cooperates, and everyone expects that he will, the swimming pool will be open for a refreshing post-walk dip.

Nat Palmer continues to inspire all participants with his determination and drive. He remains the highest producing individual for Walkathons in North America.

Every effort is being made to provide recreation and entertainment that will appeal to all ages. The Agulniks urge the community to throw their support behind all participants and help to make every step count.

Down Memory Lane...



We don't know the year this was taken, but here are some of the boys spiffed up for the weekend. From left to right, Chuck Greenberg, George Kirshner, Abe (Buzzi) Mosion, Joe Ages, and 'The Moose' Zabransky-Sahran. Photo courtesy George Kirshner and The Ottawa Historical Society

View from the Pulpit



A Treat for Your Seder — Sh'mura Matzos

By Rabbi Mordecai Berger

Young Israel Synagogue

Of the major Jewish festivals, none enjoys a greater degree of affection or entails more effort for its proper preparation than does the beautiful holiday of Pesach. There are many positive observances during Pesach, yet the excitement of the first Seder night, eating of matza, clearly is one of the highlights. Matza is thin and flat, suggesting humility; "chometz" (leavened dough) on the other hand, rises and swells, symbolizing pride and boastfulness. Passover teaches us that "chometz" — arrogance — is the very antithesis of the ideal Torah.

When an arrogant man is confronted with an obligation of performing a mitzva that demands a measure of self-sacrifice (as charity, which involves sharing his possessions with his less fortunate fellow) he avoids fulfilling his obligation. Moreover, the egotisms of the arrogant man deprive him of the ability to discern the worthiness of his neighbour and he smugly concludes that the other is truly far below his level. He thinks "if G-d sees fit that this man be poor, should I interfere and help him? The pauper surely does not deserve better!"

Such egotistic reasoning leads the haughty individual to do more evil. Yet, he will never perceive the evil of his actions and repent of them. Even when forced to concede the impropriety of his actions, he finds various causes "beyond his control" that prevailed upon him to act as he did.

The humble man, on the other hand, has quite the reverse attitude, and thinks to himself: "Am I truly better than he? Do I deserve my better fortune?" This analysis, made objectively, rouses him to sympathize with his fellow man and to render him assistance. This unassuming person, when acting improperly, does not attempt to justify his incorrect behavior. On the contrary, his sincere self-analysis prompts him to do "Teshuva", to honestly repent for his improper actions.

When we are commanded to rid our domain of all traces of "chometz" we must also attempt to rid ourselves of every particle of "spiritual chometz" so that we are able to clearly perceive our own faults and our fellow man's good.

To further enhance our Pesach seder, there is a special mitzva to use "Sh'mura Matza" for the seder. The word "Sh'mura" means watched. The wheat used in these special matzos are carefully protected against any contact with water from the moment of harvest. Water would cause leavening and thus disqualify the wheat for use on Passover. Furthermore, round, handmade Sh'mura Matzos are the traditionally favoured matzos that beautify the seder.

Matzo, according to the holy Zohar, is the "Food of Faith." It is evidence of our ancestors' absolute trust in Divine Providence. Our eating them — particularly handmade round Sh'mura Matzos, at the seder — similarly reflects our trust and strengthens the quality of our faith.

Fulfilling this mitzva according to the best and fullest requirements of the Torah will surely bring increased vitality to our Jewish observance.

These matzos can be obtained here in Ottawa. Contact your local Rabbi or myself for further information.

A happy, healthy, and kosher Pesach to all.

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Engagement

Dworkin — Maislin

Marcia Dworkin and Larry Dworkin of Toronto proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Andrea (Sue-Ann) to Mitchell Maislin, son of Anita and Simon Maislin of Montreal. Sue-Ann is the granddaughter of the late Rae and Harry Weidman and of Ben Dworkin and the late Marilyn Dworkin. A September wedding is planned.

Merson - Gaffen

Dee Merson and Yale Gaffen are pleased to announce their engagement. Dee is the daughter of Mildred (Mitzi) Merson and Yale is the son of Sam and Ida Gaffen. A June wedding is planned.

It's A Boy!

Maron — Danny and Suzi (nee Cogan) are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Gregory Lawrence, 8 lbs., 15 ozs., on March 20, 1986. Proud grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jules Cogan and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Maron of Montreal. Proud great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reiter and Mrs. Ida Maron of Montreal.

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Always in Good Taste

by Alyce Baker



I saw this poem printed in a local newspaper down in Florida. It made me laugh and cry at the same time. How apt the anecdotes were, and how true and meaningful the wishes and thoughts. I hope your Passover surpasses all your expectations and brings happiness and peace to your family.

A Woman's Prayer for Passover

Lord, let not the line at the supermarket be too long. Let the produce be fresh and crisp, and let there be just one more jar of Kosher-for-Passover mayonnaise left. You see, I forgot. That there is school next week, and tuna fish falls off matzoh sandwiches so easily. When it is not held together with enough mayonnaise. God please let everyone be well for the two Seder nights. And while you're at it, could you please make it. The rest of the year too? And if you do not make me spend So many hours swabbing chicken pox with calamine lotion. I promise I will devote the leisure to ecology and UJA and things like that.

Almighty Father, let the children behave at the Seder table. For I have labored so long to make everything right and lovely. Suffer not their little fingers to spill wine on the tablecloth and carpeting.

It never seems to come out. And let them pipe the Mah Nishtanah and the Chad Gadya In such abundant glee and wisdom. As to make the car pool to Hebrew School worth it. King of the Universe it seems, that I will never get all these dishes changed.

And everyone's clothes ready, and all the chametz. Out of the house in time. So remember, Dear Lord, To please make sure the cleaning woman shows up. Master of the World, let each year

Our table be fuller. Not only with your bounty, but with people. All our loved ones, dear friends, new babies. And young lovers shyly brought home For approval. And let this year begin, With our long-lost brothers who crouch in fear behind the Iron Curtain.

And next year see our banquet seats overflowing.

G-d of Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah,

Let us not

In the hustle and rush of preparation,

Forget what

The Passover really means.

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2 1/2 cups boiling water

3 cups matzoh farfel

5 eggs beaten

salt and pepper to taste

Place the farfel in a large bowl. Pour boiling water over farfel. Drain. Beat the eggs in a bowl. Add salt and pepper to taste. Pour eggs over farfel and mix well. Divide mixture into 8 greased 5 inch pizza pans. Bake in a 350 oven for 20 minutes, or use 1 pan and bake for 30 minutes.

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Dignitaries in attendance at Opening

The Commonwealth Jewish Exhibition

By Paula Speevak

The opening of the Commonwealth Jewish Exhibition was held on Tuesday, April 1, at the Jewish Community Centre. Chairman, Dan Mozersky welcomed the guests to the Exhibition, which will be on display until April 13.

Gerald Berger, President of the Ottawa Jewish Community Council-Va'ad Ha'ir, had the honour of delivering a speech by Maxwell Cohen who was unfortunately ill that evening.

"The exhibit which the Ottawa Jewish Community has been kind enough to arrange for display is a panoramic view of Jewish life throughout the Commonwealth today from strong communities in Britain, Canada, and Australia, to the slowly diminishing numbers in other members of the Commonwealth," Mr. Cohen wrote.

"This unique exhibit is an imaginative use of camera married to prose in a striking portrait of the living Jewish reality from micro-computers to great centres."

The exhibition, which was officially opened in Montreal in September '85, will travel to Vancouver and then to Australia.

The panels of the exhibit were designed by Lionel Rubin of London and prepared by ABC Graphics.

Distinguished guests of the evening included Dorothy Armstrong, Director of Commonwealth Division-External Affairs, Richard Baker, Deputy British High Commissioner, Blanche Dillon, Executive Director-National Association of Canadians of Indian Origin, Ariella Hostetter, Executive Director-National Congress of Italian Canadians, Maurie Jalava, President of the Finnish Association, Jack Silverstone, Executive Director-Canadian Jewish Congress, and Mr. Singh, Executive Director-Federation of Sikh Societies, among others.

The Commonwealth Jewish Exhibition proved to be a fascinating to the many who viewed it. Arrangements for volunteer staffing of the exhibit were made by Barbara Shore.



Chairman Dan Mozersky welcomes guests.





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Rabbi Reuven Tradburks chose to follow the dictates of his heart

For years Reuven Tradburks' Uncle Moe used to visit his nephew in Ottawa and, on each visit, he would say, "So, are you going to be a rabbi?" Tradburks would always say, "No, I'm going to be a lawyer."

But Uncle Moe evidently knew something his nephew did not know. Today Rabbi Reuven Tradburks, who now lives in Teaneck, is going on interviews as he plans for his first position in a pulpit.

Rabbi Tradburks was one of 100 rabbis who took part in a Centennial *Chag HaSanik* (celebration of ordination) April 6 at the Yeshiva University-affiliated Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS) in New York City.

Ordained at RIETS in 1985, Rabbi Tradburks now teaches liturgy at the James Striar School of General Jewish Studies (JSS), one of the University's three undergraduate, Jewish studies divisions for men.

He also works as a counselor and coordinator of extracurricular activities at JSS.

Growing up in Ottawa, Rabbi Tradburks was a member of a family that was "strongly, Jewishly affiliated," he said, but he had little connection with classical Jewish studies.

He spent more time playing his clarinet than he did studying Talmud.

As a high school student, he was solo clarinet in the Nepean Symphony Orchestra in Ottawa.

He also served as executive director of Nepean Symphony Orchestra and as executive director of the Ottawa-Carleton Summer Music Camp.

Then he started to study philosophy at Carleton University.

"As I was drawn toward philosophy," Rabbi Tradburks recalled, "I also found myself being drawn toward Jewish philosophy."

He spent his junior year studying at The Hebrew University in Jerusalem and, after receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree, studied at Yeshivat Ohr Somayach in Jerusalem and at Ner Israel Rabbinical College in Baltimore.

Then he married Joyce Routman and, while his wife was completing her master's of education administration degree at Bank Street College, he decided to attend RIETS before returning to Canada to go to the University of Toronto law school.

He studied in RIETS' Chaver program, a special course in advanced Jewish studies for young men who plan to make their careers in other professions.

While in the Chaver program, he had discussions with Rabbi David Lifshitz, who holds the I. Meier and Henri-

ta Segals Chair in Talmud at RIETS.

"He started to talk to me about the implications of my studying for ordination," Rabbi Tradburks said, "about how much it would mean to my children to know that their father was an ordained rabbi, even if I also was an attorney or a businessman."

Even as he started to study for ordination at RIETS, Rabbi Tradburks continued to think he would become an attorney.

"But then I decided that I would rather spend long hours in pursuit of something I love, which is Jewish studies, rather than spend my time with the law," he said.

When he told his mother and stepfather, Irving and Evelyn Rivers of Ottawa, he wanted to enter the pulpit, they supported his decision.

"My mother believes that anything that makes her children happy will make her happy too," Rabbi Tradburks said.

How did his wife react to her husband's new career objective?

"She said it was always pretty clear that that was where my heart was," Rabbi Tradburks said.

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THE OTTAWA JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



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Jewish divorce rate warrants concern

By Arnold Ages

TORONTO (JTA) — Rabbi Reuven Bulka of Ottawa, Canada told a recent synagogue gathering (Shaarei Shomayim of Toronto) that while statistics about the Jewish divorce rate may be somewhat exaggerated they are sufficiently high to warrant grave concern.

Bulka, author of nine books and the founding editor of *The Journal of Judaism and Psychology*, reported that at beginning of his career in the rabbinate he rarely encountered a divorce situation.

In the past several years, however, he has been mediating from fifteen to twenty such cases. The rabbi indicated that this was a problem which afflicted all levels of Jews, including the observant.

Speaking on the general question of the Jewish marriage, Rabbi Bulka deplored the consequences of divorce within the Jewish family, citing two major calamities.

The first he said was the ripple of effect which divorce has upon family members on both sides who feel that their interests have been damaged.

The other ricochet effect, Bulka said, was on people contemplating marriage. The latter are being dissuaded from the marriage by the perception of so much failure.

This bodes ill for the future of the Jewish community in North America, Bulka added. The break-down of the Jewish family coupled with a birth rate among Jews that is not self-reproducing are ominous signs in the destabilization of the North American Jews.

The rabbi stopped short of making any firm predictions on the basis of current trends,

citing the well known Talmudic dictum about the unwisdom of engaging in futurology.

In his survey of current Jewish marriage mores, however, the Ottawa rabbi, did not hesitate to analyze what he sees as the major factor in the husband-wife relationship.

The transcendence of self is the way Bulka described the ideal spousal relationship. In his view, the obligation to make one's partner happy devolves first upon the man. According to Bulka, the Torah ordains this so that spouses cannot use the argument that the other should initiate specific moves in marriage: the male partner has that duty.

By seeking to make his spouse happy, the man inevitably invites reciprocal acts on the part of his wife.

Bulka also urged patience and understanding from the married men with regard to women's roles in the household. The Talmud rules that women are not bound to observe those mitzvot which are time-regulated. If God can be so understanding in this context, Bulka mused, then men should not expect from their wives what God Himself does not.

Quoting widely from Jewish and non-Jewish sources, Bulka also sketched some of the marriage patterns which tend to demoralize the institution.

Both men and women seem to spend a disproportionate amount of time on self-grooming, he noted, especially when they are going out. At home, however, the care devoted to one's appearance dissipates in the interest of informality.

The exact opposite should

occur, the rabbi argued. Husbands and wives should dress well and groom themselves equally well when they are home with each other — and dress more informally when they leave the house!

Quoting a popular dictum Bulka said that while some marriages break up because the husband has lunch with his secretary, more marriages flounder when the husband has to have breakfast with his wife!

On the subject of sexuality in the Jewish marriage, Bulka described a certain prudishness which must be eliminated. He indicated that the rabbinic tradition was quite conscious of the fact that without harmony in this sphere there can be no real marriage bond.

Bulka praised the laws of *nidah* — which require spouses to eschew sexual contact during specific times of the month — not as separation exercises but rather as guarantors of renewed and reinvigorated sexual activities when the spouses resumed conjugal relations.

Bulka indicated that in correspondence with therapists in the field of family counselling he had tried — unsuccessfully — to persuade them that the restraint promoted by Jewish custom in this regard was something of universal value and an important interger in the marriage equation.

In reflecting on the magnitude of divorce in the Jewish community, Bulka noted that Jewish tradition depicts the altar weeping at the spectacle of Jewish divorce — not condemning or haranguing — but weeping.

This must be the response of the Jewish community, says Bulka, as it attempts to salvage Jewish family life.

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Christians read more carefully— reject unholy view of Judaism

By Bruce McLeod

For 40 years Christians of mainline churches have realized with anguish that many parts of the New Testament, when read without comment against imposing musical or architectural background, reinforce those negative attitudes toward Jews that are the dirty underside of so much Christian history.

Most Canadian Jews have in their ancestral or personal memory the experience of the *shtetls* of Eastern Europe where Jews fled in the time of the Crusades when pillaging Christians uprooted ancient Jewish communities in their path. There they clung for centuries to their traditions, their language and their dignity in the face of regular persecutions and terrifying pogroms. These took place with special severity in Holy Week, when Christians, the story of the gospels fresh in their minds, came with clubs in their hands to beat them up.

Jews in the New Testament are consistently portrayed as the villains: Reluctant Pilate, well-meaning but weak, gives in to Jewish pressure and washes his hands to show he disagrees. So were justified in advance the ghettos, ovens, exclusions and insensitivities that have stained

the church's history since. Not least in this country and in this city, as any who grew up here know.

But Jesus was a Jew put to death not by Jews, but with familiar anti-semitic ceremony by a gentile governor and his men. By the time the gospels were written, the little church was out in the gentile world trying to commend a Jew, Jesus, who had been executed by an important Roman official. Relations were already hostile between church and synagogue, and as Christians told the story they played down their Jewish background. Even the Jewishness of Jesus almost disappears, although he was a Jew all his life in blood and culture and faith.

The crucifixion, a distinctly Roman punishment for political criminals, is said to be the result of the enmity of all Jews, not just some of their leaders. Pilate's role is whitewashed and minimized until he bears no relation to that man who is now known to have been unusually corrupt. Departing from the Roman pattern, Pilate raped and murdered and insulted the Jews and was eventually removed from his post because of that. This sort of man just does not appear in the gospel accounts.

The scholar John Knox writes that "history probably does not furnish another example of so complete a reversal within a tradition of the facts upon which the tradition is based. A Jew crucified by gentiles becomes, in effect, a non-Jew put to death by Jews."

As the church gained power, its ideas about the Jews contributed to a climate that culminated in Hitler's Germany. Since 1948 both Catholics and Protestants have issued statements rejecting the old distortions. A collection of them runs to over 150 pages. The major churches have abandoned any agenda that includes the conversion of the Jews. Christians are beginning at long last to take seriously the existence down the centuries of a live Judaism. Not narrow legalists, but a thoughtful, poetic, courageous community that witnesses in its continuing life to the biblical God as least as authentically as does the Christian church. Christians are leaving to read the stories of Holy Week more carefully. Anything less, they know now, is not holy at all.

Bruce McLeod is Minister of Toronto's Metropolitan United Church.

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Mother's Day program will focus on issues of contemporary Jewish life

A Mother's Day "Salute to Our Wives and Daughters" will take the form of a breakfast and panel discussion on Sunday, May 11 at Machzikei Hadas Synagogue. Breakfast will be served at 9:30 a.m.

following shacharit services at 9 a.m.

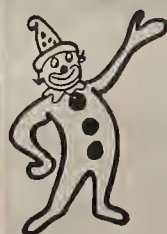
The program, scheduled to begin at 10 a.m., will focus on "Issues of Contemporary Jewish Life — A Positive Approach to the Preservation of Our People", and will examine

four topics:

- strengthening Jewish home and family life
- enhancing our children's Jewish education
- identifying problems of Jewish youth
- looking at the Jewish future

Panelists include Rabbi Reuven Bulka; Stanley Aaron, York University graduate; Alan Sokoloff, Chazzen Sheni, Agudath Israel Congregation; Karen Trainoff, Jewish Community Centre Teen Council; and David Fisher, President USY, Agudath Israel Congregation. Herman Roodman will act as moderator.

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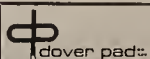


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*Canadian communities twinned with Or Yehuda include Ottawa, the small unfederated communities in Ontario and the Atlantic Region.

Policy situation is assessed by activist

NEW YORK, (JTA) — The leaders of the Soviet Union now recognize that there can be no rapprochement with the United States unless they restore the process of emigration for Jews seeking to join their families in Israel.

This assessment was made at a news conference here by Eliahu Essas, one of the most prominent Jewish activists in Moscow until he was permitted to emigrate to Israel with his family in January after waiting 13 years. Essas, 40, a mathematician and physicist, arrived in New York in late March on a three-week American tour for the National Conference on Soviet Jewry.

In evaluating the prospects for a change in Soviet policy to permit resumption of emigration on a scale similar to that of 1979, when 51,000 Jews were granted exit visas, Essas said two conditions had to be met:

"(1) Jews in the free world must demonstrate that they have not forgotten their Jewish brothers and sisters in the USSR, and (2) There must be no Cold War, confrontation tactics, which poison the air."

He added: "A new framework of East-West relations must be created within which the leaders of the USSR can find a way to resolve the Jewish question I believe they are ready to move on this issue, but they will do so only if public opinion in the West continues to demand a solution, and only if tensions between Moscow and Washington

are eased.

"There can be no progress toward human rights in the Soviet Union — including the right of repatriation to Israel — in an atmosphere of tension and Cold War."

Essas noted that Soviet leaders no longer claimed that all Jews who wished to leave the USSR had already been given permission to emigrate. "In my judgment the Kremlin now understands that Jews still want to leave and that they are supported in this demand by the free world," he said. "I am also persuaded that they know a genuine rapprochement with Washington cannot take place without renewed repatriation of Soviet Jews to Israel."

Essas, a self-taught Hebrew scholar who became widely known in the Soviet Union as one of the first activists to publicly advocate the right of Soviet Jews to learn Hebrew and practice their religion openly, first requested permission to emigrate in 1973.

His application was denied and his home was raided several times, his books on Jewish religion and culture were confiscated and he was placed briefly under house arrest. He became an observant Jew and leader of the Jewish religious movement in Moscow.

Despite constant pressure by an "officially and efficiently atheistic Soviet regime," he said, "there has been a powerful resurgence of Jewish religious life in the USSR."

May 4: JNF Blue Box Blitz

Those Nickels, Dimes and Quarters...Why Are They So Important?

By Marlene Cherun, Blue Box Chairman



On November 3, one hundred and forty people joined forces to plant seeds for the Jewish National Fund by delivering fifteen hundred blue boxes in Ottawa.

Many of these volunteers had never worked for JNF before. Many had never even seen a Blue Box, had not understood the work that filled Blue Boxes enabled. They volunteered because they were asked and because their friends were also involved. Perhaps by donating several hours of their time to JNF, they have strengthened their bond to Israel's past and to her future.

On Sunday, May 4, the second phase of the Blue Box Blitz will take place. On that day, the 1500 Blue Boxes delivered in November and hopefully since-filled will be replaced. A JNF volunteer will be contacting you and arranging to exchange your filled box for another. Again, many volunteers will be involved in covering the community.

Those nickels, dimes and quarters...why are they important enough to warrant so much effort? Where does Blue Box money go? Doesn't Israel have enough trees yet? Why are trees so important anyway? In the scheme of things, are Blue Boxes not relatively unimportant as fund-raising tools?

If some of these questions have occurred to you, I would be happy to try to answer them. JNF does plant trees, over one hundred and twenty million to date. Trees have been and continue to be vital to Israel's land development. Afforestation protects the top soil, anchors shifting sand dunes and shelters crops from storms. Equally important, Blue

Box proceeds fund the reclamation of land. The scientific and farsighted planting of trees by JNF changed the topography of the land making otherwise unusable areas productive and fit for settlement and industrial development. Blue Box money is also used to preserve Israel's water resources. JNF engineers create artificial ponds and lakes from otherwise short-lived flood waters which flow down through the wadis and which otherwise might flood fields.

Thanks in part to your Blue Box, JNF is building roads to development area. Most are border roads and link Israel's far-flung settlements, while strengthening the security of her outlying areas. To date, JNF has built over 3000 kilometres of roadways throughout Israel.

Your nickels, dimes and quarters are extremely powerful when linked to those of your neighbors. JNF does not rely on the Blue Box alone to accomplish these modern miracles. However, the Blue Box has become and should remain a symbol of our commitment to the continued development of the State of Israel. A nickel from a child will become a dollar from an adult. Together we can even in small ways, keep Israel vital.

On May 4, please have your filled Blue Box ready and welcome your new one into your home. And if you are asked to be a Blue Box driver, please join us. The work is not difficult, the rewards are great. Become part of the Blue Box team by calling me at 523-8322 or Ketty Samel at 230-9047.

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JSSA News

Flo Morgan: Thank You

By Marlene E. Cherun MSW

It is with more than a little regret that the JSSA acknowledges the end of an era. April 17, 1986 marks the last luncheon which Flo Morgan will coordinate at the Agudath Israel Synagogue for the Adults for Lively Leisure Group.

Flo began her association with A.L.L. and its members on April 30, 1981. I remember well that day for it marked the end of my career as cook/organizer/coordinator of the then fledgling luncheon program for seniors. Conceived of as a participatory program, A.L.L. encourages the creativity and involvement of this knowledgeable and experienced part of our population. I appreciated fully the high standards of the A.L.L. members and I was relieved and very confident as I handed over this challenging position to Flo four years ago.

History has proven that the JSSA could not have made a wiser choice. Since becoming coordinator, Florine has proven herself invaluable. She possesses a rare combination of efficiency, independence, creativity and patience. Always bearing in mind that the JSSA is a fiscally responsible organization, Flo has shown an outstanding sense of responsibility and commitment to excellence. No crisis in the kitchen ever visibly disturbed Flo. Rather, she treated each crisis as a challenge to be handled quietly and effectively. Whether preparing for eighty or for eighteen, Flo remained smiling and unruffled.

Equally important, Florine Morgan has unfailing warmth, patience and humor when working with others. It was largely due to Flo's personality that A.L.L. rarely had difficulty in recruiting members to assist her in preparing and serving the luncheon. At times, her job description expanded to include diplomat, as it is not an easy task to coordinate five "balabustas" and "balabosses" at once in a tiny, sparsely-equipped kitchen. Flo has the ability to make everyone feel appreciated, necessary and welcome.

It is not my habit to devote this column to the praise of JSSA employees, but Florine Morgan has been far more than an employee. I see her rather as an extraordinary paid volunteer who offered herself and her talents to the senior community and to the JSSA in ways which cannot be measured. On behalf of the members of Adults for Lively Leisure, I thank her for being a friend. It has been a privilege to work with her in serving the community. We wish her well in her future endeavors.

Dates to Remember

Monday, April 14 Golden Age Luncheon, Assembly Hall J.C.C., 12:30 P.M.

Tuesday, April 15 50+ Drop-In Centre, J.C.C., 1:30 P.M.

Wednesday, April 16 Bridge, 50+ Drop-In Centre J.C.C., 1:00 P.M.

Wednesday, April 16 Bridge, 50+ Drop-In Centre, J.C.C., 7:00 P.M.

Thursday, April 17 Adults for Lively Leisure Luncheon (A.L.L.) Agudath Israel Synagogue, 12:30 P.M.

ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED UNTIL MAY 5, 1986

Library offers good selection

New in books of Jewish interest are currently available at the Malca Pass Library, located at Agudath Israel Synagogue, 1400 Coldrey Ave.

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• **Holy Days** by Lis Harris: the world of a Hasidic family

• **Holocaust Memoirs** by Joachim Schoenfeld: Jews in the Lwow Ghetto, the Janowski Camp and as Deportees in Siberia

• **Wife of...** by Sandra Gottlieb: an irreverent account of life in Washington

• **Some Day the Rabbi Will Leave** by Harry Kemelman

• **God Knows** by Joseph Heller

• **A Perfect Peace** by Amos Oz

The Library is open to all members of the Jewish Community. There is no charge for membership. Hours are every Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on selected Sundays, (check with the Synagogue Office at 728-3501.)

Two SA Jews are elected mayors

— JOHANNESBURG, (JTA) — Two leading Jewish political figures have been elected mayors of Johannesburg and Sandton.

Prof. Harold Rudolph, 38, served for 14 years on the Johannesburg City Council before being inducted as the city's mayor earlier this month. Rudolph, who is associate professor at the Wits University School of Law, is an active Rotarian, past chairperson of the Emmanentia Hebrew Congregation, and vice chairperson of the Transvaal Council of the Jewish Board of Deputies.

Hazel Edges-Shoche, 52, has been a Sandton town councillor for almost nine years before taking on the duties of mayor this month. She was the town's Mayoress as the wife of the late Morris Edges, Sandton's mayor in 1973. She was also the first woman to be elected to the town's management committee.



Hillel Academy Grade 5 public speaking contest finalists: Back Row (left to right): Lori Borts, Alana Safran, Adam Mendelsohn, Melissa Borovay, Tyson Bidner. Front Row (left to right): Debbie Stone, Sydney Bellack, Douglas Nathanson, Oren Kerem. (Photo taken by student Jaime Weinman)

Hillel students make judges' job difficult

Hillel Academy's annual Grade 5 Public Speaking Contest was held recently before an appreciative audience of students, parents and friends who were first treated to a delightful skit on the music of the 60's performed by Grade 5 student Tyson Bidner.

Following the performance, eight class finalists spoke on a variety of subjects including women's rights, grandparents experiences of World War II, skiing, hockey, life with a baby sister and the 1985 Maccabiah games.

Judges, Dr. Maureen Molot, Professor of Political Science and International Affairs, Carleton University, Bob Balfour, Vice-Principal, Blackburn Public School and Mrs. Estelle Gunner, Administrative Assistant, Hillel Academy had a most difficult task in choosing the winners, as all the students delivered well-organized, thoughtful speeches and spoke with ease and confidence.

Stan Katz, Director of Education presented certificates to the runners-up: Melissa Borovay, Lori Borts, Oren Kerem, Adam Mendelsohn, Alana Safran and Debbie Stone, to second-place winner Douglas Nathanson who spoke on "Extra-curricular Activities" and, of course, to first place winner Sydney Bellack whose topic was "Names".

The event was coordinated by Grade 5 General Studies teachers Mrs. Arlene Glube and Mrs. Flora Silverman.

Mail Bag

Dear Editor:

I am sure that you are familiar with Operation Recognition and our efforts to have the Magen David Adom of Israel recognized by the International Red Cross. This issue has become a very important one for Jewish dignity everywhere because every kind of obstacle is being placed in the path of trying to find a way to bring Israel's volunteer health organization in the world Red Cross family.

We have committees in 50 countries throughout the world trying to marshal public awareness on behalf of this cause. We hope we can call upon your readers to help us in a very special way.

We are trying to assemble

1,000,000 names on a petition which will be presented to the Red Cross authorities in Geneva. This is vital at the present time because the 25th Quadrennial International Red Cross Conference will be held in Geneva during October of this year. The more coordinated direction we give to Operation Recognition at this time, will make our work so much easier during the Conference when we hope to achieve success for Magen David Adom recognition.

Anyone wishing to help should request their name be added to the petition, and send that request to Operation Recognition, 17720 N. Bay Road, Suite 8-D, Miami Beach, Florida, 33160.

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A Passover Guide

Answers to some common questions about Passover

What Is Passover?

Passover is an eight day Jewish holiday, of Biblical origin, marking the birth of the Jews as a people and their emergence as a unique nation in history, devoted to God's will. It celebrates the liberation of the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt over 3000 years ago, under the leadership of Moses.

When Does Passover Begin?

According to Biblical law, Passover is determined by the Jewish lunar calendar, and begins on the eve of the fifteenth day of the month of Nisan. The English date varies from year to year, falling in March or in April. (This year Passover begins Wednesday evening, April 23). Dietary restrictions begin approximately three hours before mid-day Wednesday.)

What Does "KOSHER FOR PASSOVER" Mean?

During Passover, Jewish law forbids the consumption or possession by Jews of all edible fermented grain products (*Chometz*) or related foods. Therefore, even foods and household products which meet the strict, year-round dietary regulations, and are considered *Kosher*, are, nevertheless, often unacceptable, or require special preparation for Passover use in the Jewish home in order to be *Kosher For Passover*.

How Can One Tell If A Product Is "KOSHER FOR PASSOVER"?

Most processed foods and

beverages require special rabbinical supervision for Passover use. They must also be *Kosher* for year-round use, and prepared in accordance with all of the regular Jewish dietary laws. Jewish consumers are urged to look for the U P or the U *Kosher for Passover* designation as an integral part of the product label, and to be familiar with the rabbi or organization giving the Passover endorsement. The mere mention of *Kosher For Passover* on the label is not a sufficient guarantee of the product's acceptability for Passover use. The largest and most widely respected Kashruth supervisory agency is the Kashruth Division of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America. Its registered service mark, U P, on thousands of consumer and industrial food products, is a guarantee of the highest standards of *Kashruth* for Passover. Processed foods not carrying any rabbinical supervision should be cleared with a rabbi before Passover use, as should any medicines and vegetables.

What Is "MATZOH"?

Matzoh is a crisp, flat, unleavened bread, made of flour and water, which must be baked before the dough has had time to rise. It is the only type of "bread" which Jews may eat during Passover, and it must be made specifically for Passover use, under rabbinical supervision. Eating Matzoh on Passover commemorates the

unleavened bread eaten by the Jews when they left Egypt in such haste that there was no time for the dough to rise. There are many mystical concepts tied to the unique relationship between Matzoh and *Chometz* on Passover. One interpretation equates Matzoh with God's commandments (*Mitzvos*), and *Chometz* with sin (*Chayit*). The rigorous laws of Passover, in this interpretation, represent the great care that must be taken to follow the Godly path.

What Special Preparations Must Be Made In The Jewish Home For Passover?

The home must be thoroughly cleaned of all *Chometz* before Passover. Any *Chometz* not removed from a Jew's premises before Passover should be sold. Jewish law forbids the use of any *Chometz* which remains in a Jew's possession during Passover, even after the holiday is over. All cooking and eating utensils must be either set aside exclusively for Passover use, or, in some cases, "made *Kosher*" in consultation with a rabbi, according to the procedures of Jewish law. All of these preparations must be completed by the morning before Passover.

What Are The Rituals For The Day Before Passover Begins?

This year, Wednesday, April 23 is a fast day for Jewish firstborn males, in com-

memoration of the tenth plague, the slaying of the firstborn male Egyptians, which immediately resulted in the Exodus. In many congregations, a special celebration *Siyum* is conducted, following which participating firstborn males are permitted to break their fast. A ritual search for *Chometz* is conducted Tuesday evening, April 22, and the *Chometz* that is found is burned the next morning.

What Is The Passover "SEDER"?

The *Seder* is a ritual banquet which re-enacts the Exodus, conducted on both the first and second evenings of Passover (Wednesday and Thursday, April 23 and 24, 1986). Its major feature is the reading of the *Haggadah*, which relates, in detail, the events of the Exodus of the Jewish people from ancient Egypt, complete with symbolic re-enactments using *Kosher* wine, specially prepared Matzoh, and bitter herbs. The specially prepared *Shmurah Matzoh* is made specifically for use at the *Seder*, with specially supervised flour according to particularly stringent Jewish traditions and laws. The bitter herbs (*Maror*) consisting of either romaine lettuce or horseradish, commemorate the harsh conditions of slavery in ancient Egypt. Four cups of wine are consumed during the course of the *Seder* to commemorate the redemption of the Jewish people, the sanctity of the holiday and events related in the *Haggadah*. The *Seder* is rich in colorful ritual

events designed to stimulate the interest of children in their Passover heritage. The *Seder* is a traditional occasion for Jewish families to gather together to reinforce their ties to Judaism.

When Do Passover Dietary Laws End?

All Passover Dietary Laws remain in effect until nightfall of the eighth day of Passover (Thursday, May 1, 1986). *Chometz* which was in the possession or jurisdiction of a Jew during Passover, in violation of Jewish law, is forbidden for consumption by any Jew even after Passover.

What Other Restrictions Are Applicable On Passover?

Sabbath-like restrictions on work and creative activity, with the exceptions of carrying and the use of fire (with respect to cooking and the preparation of food), apply to all Jews on the first two and last two days of Passover. Full Sabbath rules remain in effect on Friday evenings and Saturdays during Passover. With the exception of Sabbath, during the intermediate four days of Passover *Chol Hamoad* (nightfall of Friday, April 25, through shortly before sundown, Tuesday, April 29, 1986), only non-essential work activities and crafts, as defined by Jewish law, are prohibited. Reprinted from *The Kosher Directory 1986 Passover Edition of the Union of Orthodox Congregations of America*.

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An important breakthrough for Jews

Shoah will arouse strong emotions in viewers

By Gary E. Rubin

The release of Claude Lanzmann's monumental film *Shoah* will undoubtedly arouse strong emotions among its viewers, especially those from ethnic and religious groups directly affected by the Holocaust. In previous showings in other countries, Jews and Poles have had particularly acute reactions. The sources of these feelings should be well understood by people seeing and commenting on *Shoah*.

For Jews, the film represents an important breakthrough in expressing their feelings about the Holocaust. Previous

cinematic treatments of this event have relied heavily on historical footage that is now more than four decades old. No matter how emotionally wrenching, use of these films from a previous era inevitably give the impression that the Holocaust belongs to a past era that may be remembered today but has limited current resonance.

Shoah, on the contrary, makes no use of historical footage in any of its nine and a half hours of film time. Instead, it focuses on contemporary interviews. This gives the feel of the current meaning

and importance of the Holocaust — not forty years ago but now. For this reason, the Jewish community will see in *Shoah* a unique opportunity to interpret their deep continuing concern with the Holocaust to new audiences. They will invest much emotion in it and seek to protect it from criticism from other ethnic groups.

Ambivalent reaction

Poles, including Polish Americans, will have a more ambivalent reaction. This also needs to be understood. It arises out of the history of Poland during the Holocaust.

Nothing angers Poles more than the charge that they collaborated with the Nazis in the Holocaust. Poland considered itself to have been an occupied country during World War II, and Poles have always hated the armies that have conquered their territory in several centuries of their history, as they remain hostile today to Soviet hegemony. Moreover, and most basically, more than three million Poles were killed in World War II, many of them civilians. Poles consider

themselves victims, not allies, of the Nazis.

How did they treat Jews during the Holocaust? The answer is a complex picture that is often distorted in popular evaluations of this painful subject. Some Poles no doubt cooperated in the extermination with the Nazi enemy. Others, however, risked their lives to save Jews. Indeed, in the Yad V'Shem memorial in Jerusalem, Poles easily outnumber all other groups in the number of gentiles honored for rescuing Jews at the risk of their own lives. Other Poles were simply indifferent to the extermination while still others cared passionately about the mass killing.

Brilliant depiction

Shoah depicts these mixed feelings brilliantly. The interviews it conducts with Poles cover the full range of reactions to the Holocaust. No one in the film describes the plight of Jewish victims more sensitively than the Pole Jan Karski, courier for the Polish government in exile. The switchman at Sobibor and the train engineer

at Treblinka are both ordinary Poles still deeply affected by the killing of Jews 40 years ago. But other Polish peasants laugh about the event and seem totally indifferent to its horror. One Polish town in which residents were interviewed contains both an old man who expresses great sadness over the loss of Jews and a housewife who expresses none. While proponents on both sides will stress one or another of these statements, the main point is that both are genuine.

What does the film reveal about Polish and anti-Semitism? It undoubtedly has roots among those interviewed. One merchant refers to the wealth of the Jewish victims while another, standing outside a church, announces to the evident approval of the listening crowd that Jews suffered from the Holocaust because they rejected Jesus. Historical, religious and economic anti-Semitism played a role in Polish reactions.

But the film also demonstrates that this is very different from what is needed to create a Holocaust. That is shown clearly in interviews with German former Nazis. The horror in these statements is the Nazis' ease in speaking about death as if it were another mechanical operation. They describe building death camps and gas vans as if they were simply engineering and logistical issues. It is this radical anti-humanism that made the Holocaust possible, and it is a very different feeling from anything expressed by Poles in the film. The Poles express traditional attitudes that could never amount to mass destruction by modern means that defines the Holocaust.

Complex past

Like all traditions, the Polish past is complex. It contains anti-Semitism and the humanistic urge that would save Jewish lives at the risk to their own. The Polish reactions need to be seen in this context.

Reviews of the film in France did not always express this sensitivity. Many tended to focus only on the anti-Semitic statements and ignore the deep humanism of Karski and many of the peasants. This contributed to a polarized and tense reaction to many Poles and Jews viewing the film. Reviews that understand and explain the complexities involved will be both more accurate and more conducive to generating genuine discussion on the serious issues raised.

One observer understood well the purpose of the *Shoah*. Commenting on it, Pope John Paul II said in a recent issue of *L'Osservatore Romano* that the director, "collecting with great conscientiousness testimony of those who have survived, and even of the executioners, wished to help the human conscience so that it may never forget, so it may never become accustomed to the perversions of racism and its abominable ability to kill." Interpreted in all its fullness and complexity, the film does just that.

Gary E. Rubin is the Deputy Director of National Affairs, American Jewish Committee.

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Book Review

by Sharon Drache Book Review Editor

The Entrepreneurs

The Story of Gendis Inc.

By Albert D. Cohen

McClelland and Stewart, 220 pages; Cloth, \$19.95.

When Albert Cohen's paternal grandfather fled Russian pogroms in 1890, he emigrated to Canada but he didn't know where to settle in this vast, new country. The ticket agent asked how much money he had and when he replied the agent decided: "That will buy you a ticket as far as Winnipeg."

From the first day the Cohen ancestor set foot in Canada, his family's future was governed by chance and the dollar. But the Cohen financial success story is built on third phenomenon. Albert Cohen and his five brothers are tremendously close; they have always worked together as a team. With a negative net worth, their original company, General Distributors, established in the thirties, has skyrocketed so that by January, 1985, the present day Gendis Corporation has emerged as one of the largest companies in Canada with equity of over \$100 million dollars.

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Looking back, Albert Cohen, with the help of Ottawa based historian and editor, Alastair Sweeney and Toronto based author and journalist, Allan Gould, has produced a vivid, rag to riches memoir of a Western Jewish pioneer family, but at the same time he speaks candidly to the particular hardfast rules which ensured the Cohen brand of entrepreneurial success.

From their earliest days in Winnipeg, the Cohen brothers were aware of their parents' poor financial situation.

"Father was a gentle soul, more inclined to scholarly learning and music (he played the violin quite credibly, having never taken a lesson but learning by ear), struggling to make a living without much success." He sold chocolate bars out of the trunk of his Model A Ford Sedan.

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Son, Albert, often travelled with him on a 300 mile route from Winnipeg through Portage La Prairie, then through the Riding Mountains and on to Brandon, returning to Winnipeg, via Carmen. He sold cheap unknown brands, and Albert tested his entrepreneurial wings by having wrappers made for the bars and inventing names for them.

The idea of making money on small items was ingrained in Albert Cohen's mind at an early age. He dreamed that one day he would discover a unique, small item with a high added dollar value that would win him and his brothers their fortunes. A breakthrough didn't come until after the war when the Cohen company, General Distributors, obtained the exclusive rights for the sale of Paper-Mate pens in Canada.

In the fifties, however, the Paper-Mate story pales with

General Distributors' second and even bigger coup, the exclusive rights for the Sony transistor radio from Japan. Once again, Cohen's dream of a unique small item with high added dollar value ensured that the coffers of General Distributors would continue to fill.

Not until after the war was the Cohen company ready to diversify. Because of shortages of materials, women were buying parachutes to make dresses and curtains. The Cohen brothers, always astute for their timing, went into the war surplus business. Their SAAN stores paved the way for their purchase of the Metropolitan chain followed by the acquisition of the Montreal Greenberg chain and then finally the Montreal A.L. Green stores.

Success with the Sony transistor resulted in the Cohen brothers winning exclusives for any Sony products sold in Canada. Among the fruits of the Sony association are Sony Trinitron Television, Betamax, Betamovie, Walkman, and Compact Disc.

The reader looks with amazement at the side by side pictures of Grandfather Cohen with his white flowing beard and black satin cap and Albert and his wife, Irena, at Rideau Hall in 1984 at Albert's investiture as a member of the Order of Canada. The two men appear to be close in age, yet they look very different. Indeed, for the Cohens Canada has proved not only to be a land of great financial opportunity, it has also proved to be a multicultural haven for a veritable sociocultural metamorphosis.

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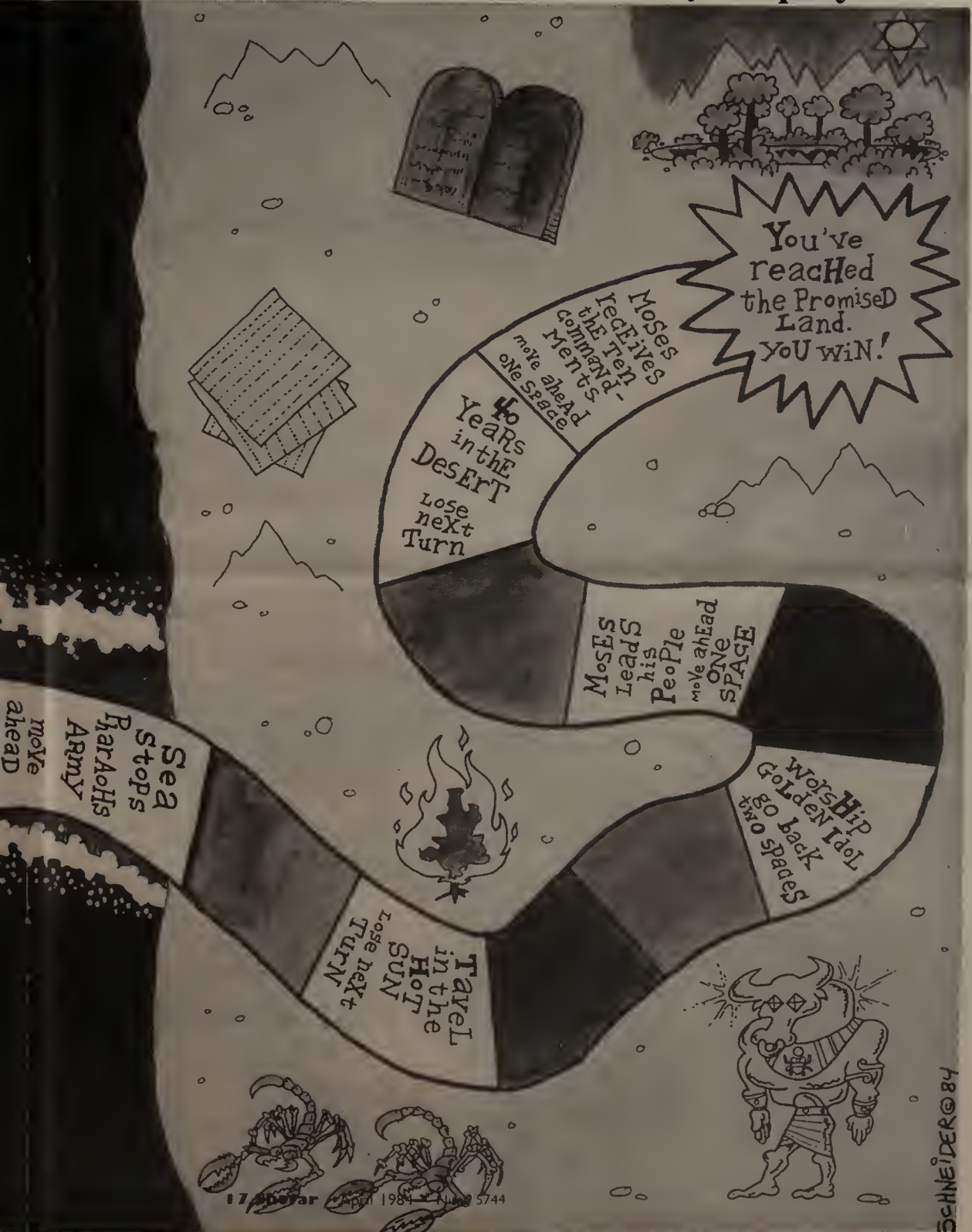
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Book reveals lengthy patterns of discrimination at Yale Univ.

By Arnold Ages
(JTA) Dan A. Oren, post-graduate fellow in psychiatry at the Yale School of Medicine, has revealed in a recent book the lengthy patterns of anti-Jewish discrimination practiced by that venerable institution from the early years of this century until the post-World War II period.

Oren's book, *Joining The Club: A History of Jews and Yale*, has the unusual distinction of having been published by the Yale University Press — which says much about the change in atmosphere at the university.

While the book is long on statistics and marred by a dry style of composition, it does provide informative data on the evolution both of the university and its hostility to Jewish students and faculty members.

The author indicates that Yale found no need to display anti-Jewish attitudes in the 19th and early part of the 20th century because of the paucity of the Jewish student body. During that period, the few Jews who were accepted at the school experienced no untoward problems despite the Christian upper class orientation of the university.

Patterns of discrimination against Jews began to appear between the war years, in the teens, 20's and 30's of this century as a result of the Jewish population growth and the thirst for education expressed by upwardly mobile Jewish students.

The way in which Yale enforced its exclusionary policies was at first subtle and diplomatic. Since Latin was a requirement in the early days, this effectively barred most Jewish undergraduates because they had attended the public school system, where Latin was unavailable.

Author Oren has excavated deeply into the available university records to show how the admissions committees, private

clubs, fraternities and faculty groups soon thereafter adopted more rigorous policies of discrimination against Jewish applicants.

It is suggested also that the university was mirroring at that time much of the anti-Semitic hysteria of the interwar years when Henry Ford was circulating the Protocols of the Elders of Zion and using his Dearborn Independent publication to disseminate vile anti-Jewish calumnies.

At Yale (and other schools such as Princeton) the reasons offered to bar Jewish students were hypocritical. Jews, it was said, were academically mature but socially unacceptable. Another criticism pivoted around the perception that Jews were preoccupied with books, an activity which was unbecoming to the Yale image of the well-rounded student. At that university, a student came in order to learn how to be successful in life; studies were of secondary or tertiary importance.

In his unearthing of the pertinent documentation, Oren discusses the various position papers prepared by admissions committees at Yale: he shows how members were anxious in their public relations statements to emphasize that Yale was interested in proper selection rather than negative discrimination.

By the 20's and late 30's, however, anti-Jewish biases became more blatant both in policy and the statement of that policy. Oren quotes one contemporary document to the effect that Yale "must institute an Ellis Island of immigration laws more prohibitive than that of the United States government."

In his survey of Yale's anti-Jewish policies in the period in question, Oren points out certain anomalies. Despite its restrictive practice, some Jews were accepted at the university. Eugene Rostow, the former ad-

viser to President Reagan, is cited as one such individual who compiled a fine academic record at the school.

The author also indicates that there were Jewish faculty members at Yale, including one L.F. Mendel, who served on the Yale Admissions Committee. Oren points out, however, that Mendel's participation did not include service on the executive group which determined the university's general admissions policies, which were anti-Jewish.

Another of the anomalies concerns the advice given to the Jewish students at Yale who were interested in careers in English. Max Lerner, the distinguished journalist, historian and scholar, was told by his mentors at Yale that Jews would never be able to become professors of English — even though Jewish students were among the best students of the discipline at the university.

Jews, it was said, could never achieve proficiency in the subject because they came from a non-Anglo-Saxon milieu and because they had never studied the New Testament.

Oren reports in his study that while Yale's undergraduate discrimination against Jews was subtle, the Yale Medical School's practice was that of "dark quotas." The author produces contemporary statements to the effect that Jews had to be stopped from entering the school because there was a danger that they wanted to dominate the profession.

Yale University's policies towards Jews began to shift after World War II, although they remained somewhat in force until the 1960's. The change was induced in part by the veterans' generation, which would not countenance the intolerance against which they had fought during the war. Oren mentions the distinguished Henri Peyre as one of the Yale faculty members who fought hard to divest Yale of its anti-Jewish bias.

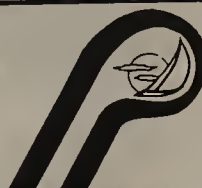
Oren's book contains a number of important appendices showing the Jewish participation at Yale University. Among the most interesting of that group is the faculty representation. By 1970, the university, which had once barred Jews from the student body and the faculty, had changed dramatically: in the year in question, 25 percent of the faculty was Jewish.

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The Grade 5 class entertained the audience with two delightful presentations. Led by teachers Ricky Grebler and Bryna Rumstein, the appropriately costumed children sang the Hebrew song "Shalom" during which they greeted the audience in twelve different languages, and then performed their own version of "The Choosing of Esther". To complete the concert, the audience and the children joined together in a lively performance of favourite Purim songs.

Israeli Arabs mark Land Day

JERUSALEM, (JTA) — Land Day, a traditional day of protest against the confiscation of Arab lands in Galilee 10 years ago, was marked by Israeli Arabs on March 30.

It was the most orderly and peaceful Land Day on record and while the government was spared no criticism at the three major rallies, the atmosphere was one of dialogue, not confrontation. The few attempts at provocative acts, such as raising Palestinian flags, were promptly squelched by the rally organizers.

A call for an Arab general strike by the leftist Progressive List for Peace went unheeded. Instead, thousands of Israeli Arabs assembled at Deir Hanna in Galilee, in Taibe, near Kfar Saba, and in Tel Sheva in the Negev where speakers dealt mainly with local problems.

The rallies were organized by a strong coalition of the Rakah Communist Party, the National Committee of Arab Mayors and the National Committee for the Protection of Land. Rakah, which is dominant in those bodies, credited itself with maintaining good order. It proved once again that it is indeed the dominant force among Israel's Arabs.

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Telegrams to Russian officials sought by long-term Refusenik

Benjamin is now the longest term Refusenik.

He first applied for an exit visa from the USSR in 1966, together with his mother, father, and three sisters. His parents and sisters were allowed to leave in 1970, while Benjamin was in the Army doing his military service with a construction unit.

'Security risk'

Although he was discharged from military service as being medically unfit on account of a stomach ulcer three months before he was due to complete his term, he was told that he was a "security risk" because of his Army service, and this same excuse has been given over the years, although it is now over ten years since his discharge in 1971.

Before going into the Army, Benjamin studied mathematics and civil engineering, but since his discharge he has only been able to work at various odd jobs. In 1976, he was dismissed from his work as a computer operator. He recently qualified as a taxi driver in Moscow, but was not given a license or allowed to work as a taxi driver because of his ulcer.

Flat ransacked

In the autumn of 1976, harassment was stepped up against Benjamin. In September, his flat was broken into twice within three weeks, and ransacked, with only items with Jewish or Israeli connection and personal papers relating to his emigration application being taken. In October, he was called in for questioning by the KGB and held for several hours. In November, his apartment was searched by the KGB and articles connected with the Jewish Cultural Symposium, planned

to take place at the end of December, were confiscated — Ben was one of the organizers

Benjamin and Tanya Bogomolny — the longest standing refusenik in the Soviet Union, now waiting 20 years — believe that their case is under review, and want telegrams requesting that they be granted an exit visa. Telegrams should be sent to:
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of this Symposium. On December 19, 1976, at the start of the Symposium, Benjamin was "picked up" from his home by the police, and prevented from attending the session. He was only released after a few days had passed and no charges were ever made against him.

In April 1977, seven men attacked him in the street near the Moscow Synagogue. Onlookers called the police, who took the assailants, together with Benjamin, to the police station. The names and addresses of everyone were recorded and a typewriter that Benjamin was carrying was confiscated by the police.

In August 1978, there was another incident at Benjamin's flat, when he found windows and furniture smashed, and red paint (blood color) smeared all over the place.

Religious background

Benjamin comes from a religious family, and is a charming and intelligent young man. He speaks excellent English and Hebrew. He used to be a youth leader, and led his group camping and hiking in the country on the border between the Caucasus mountains and Georgia. After his family left the USSR, Benjamin continued to live in his own apartment until his marriage, despite

official attempts to evict him.

His stomach ulcer condition which flared up again in the winter of 1978, caused him to spend several weeks in the hospital. He left the hospital on January 4, 1979, in order to marry his fiancée, Tania, and then returned for further treatment. They were married by civil ceremony, and later by religious ceremony (chupah) in April 1979, conducted by Rabbi Lopian of the Yeshurun Synagogue Edgware, London.

Waited fourteen years

Benjamin has waited for over fourteen years to join his family and friends in Israel, and now he is married, the need is even more desperate to start his new life in Israel.

He is a talented theatrical producer, who wrote, produced and directed the now well-known performances of the Kozhevnikovs (former Moscow State Circus clowns, now in San Francisco), which was filmed and televised by the BBC on Ben's initiative.

No security clearance

In March 1979, he was given the depressing news that he would not have 'security clearance' until 1981 or 1982.

In August 1980, Tania's mother died. In February 1981, Tania's father, her married sister and her family were allowed to leave. After their departure, Ben and Tania moved into her father's old flat in Sherbakovskaya Street. Originally Tania was reluctant to leave without her family, but now they have all departed, Ben and Tania are anxious to leave too. Unfortunately, their previous application has in the meantime expired, and they are now awaiting a new invitation from Ben's family in Israel.

It was learned recently that Ben has started a course of study in a medical-related field. The course started in September 1980, but it is not known how long it will continue. Meanwhile, Tania is still working as a translator.

In January 1986, Tanya underwent surgery for cancer and is presently under treatment.

In March, 1986, Benjamin and Tanya met with OVIR officials in Moscow and were told that their case is under review.

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Rise of Nazism, the Holocaust gave late author his direction

By Aviva Cantor

NEW YORK, (JTA) — Bernard Malamud, the Pulitzer Prize-winning American Jewish author, died in his Manhattan apartment of what police described as natural causes. He was 71 years old.

Malamud was the author of eight novels and four collections of short stories, which, critics noted, showed the influence of both the 19th century Russian masters of fiction and the traditional Jewish story tellers. Permeating many of his works was the concept that human salvation came from adherence to a strict code of personal morality in the face of life's overwhelming despair and oppression.

His best-known and most controversial novel, *The Fixer* (1966), was the story of a handyman, Yakov Bok, falsely accused by Czarist officials of a ritual murder. The story drew very loosely on the notorious Mendel Beilis case of 1911-1913, which ended in Beilis' acquittal.

In Malamud's book, Bok emerges from the Kafkaesque labyrinth of the degrading Czarist penal system with his integrity intact. He declares at the end of the novel that there is "no such thing as an unpolitical man, especially as a Jew."

Malamud won a Pulitzer Prize as well as his second National Book Award for *The Fixer* in 1967. His first NBA was for *The Magic Barrel*, a collection of short stories, in 1958. Other honors included election to the National Institute of Arts and Letters and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Malamud was born April 26, 1914 in Brooklyn, the elder of two sons of Max and Bertha Fidelman Malamud, poor immigrants from Czarist Russia who worked 16-hour days in their small grocery store.

The author later described the environment of his childhood as Jewish though non-religious. Yiddish was spoken at home, and some of his mother's family performed on the Yiddish stage.

He graduated Erasmus Hall High School, where he was the editor of the school magazine, going on to receive a B.A. from City College in 1936, and — after stints working in the family store, factories, and the census bureau — his M.A. from Columbia University in 1942.

Teaching English at night in his old high school and others, Malamud continued in his spare time the short story writing he had begun as a boy in the back room of his family's grocery store.

The rise of Nazism and Stalinism, the coming of World War II, and the Holocaust helped Malamud decide what he wanted to say as a writer and how he interpreted his Jewishness. He began reading Jewish history and literature and later said, "I for one believe that not enough has been made of the destruction of six million Jews. Somebody has to cry, even if it's just a writer, 20 years later."

Following his first novel, *The Natural* (1952), which is

unique among his works in its absence of Jewish characters, Malamud began writing fiction that showed the strong influence of his Jewish background and identification. In a 1983 piece in *The New York Times* Book Review, he said of his early writing:

"...almost without understanding why, I was thinking about my father's immigrant life, how he earned his meager living, and what he paid for it, and about my mother's, diminished by fear and suffering....I had them in mind as I invented the characters who became their fictional counterparts."

The Assistant (1957) drew heavily on the grocery store environment of Malamud's childhood. The story is of a non-Jewish youth who atones for his robbery of an elderly Jewish grocer, and later converts to Judaism.

He was thinking of his father as he began writing *The Assistant*, Malamud noted in *The Times* article, and "felt I would often be writing about Jews, in celebration and expiation" for marrying a non-Jewish woman, Ann de Chiara, with whom he had a son and a daughter.

The Assistant marked Malamud's emergence as a major writer of the American Jewish novel. He has often been linked with Saul Bellow and Philip Roth in the triumvirate that has dominated the genre.

The author divided his time between writing — his other novels included *God's Grace* — and teaching fiction, first at Oregon State College and, after 1961, Bennington. He also served as president of the American Center of PEN, the writers' organization.

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JTA News in Brief

Grotesque Parlour Game

BONN — A grotesque ghoulish parlor game in which pawns representing Jews are sent to death camps by the throw of dice, has resurfaced in West Germany and the authorities seem determined to find the persons responsible.

Copies of the game sent recently to schools and other institutions were postmarked in Darmstadt. The Hesse public prosecutor has instituted proceedings against individuals still unknown.

The game is called "Jude Aergere Dich Nicht" (Jew, do not get angry). It first appeared in 1984, drawing expressions of outrage from the Jewish community and public figures here and abroad. A man and a woman accused of devising the game were brought to trial. But a court in Zweibrücken, Saarland, acquitted them for lack of evidence. The Jewish community called the verdict "beyond understanding."

This time, the Hesse authorities have assured Jewish leaders they will do everything possible to bring those responsible to justice. Like the original game, the new one consists of a board with six pawns, each representing one million Jews. The players cast dice to move the pawns to squares labeled with the names of notorious death camps.

Pope Making Synagogue Visit

ROME — The Jewish community has warmly welcomed the Vatican's announcement recently that Pope John Paul II will visit Rome's main synagogue in April.

But while this is viewed as an "historic gesture" which may well be the first Papal visit ever to a Jewish house of worship, the feeling among Jewish leaders is that it will be up to the Pontiff whether the occasion is merely "symbolic" or contributes substantively to Catholic-Jewish relations.

"It could be a fantastic step forward," said Tullia Zevi, president of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities, "or it could be a perpetuation of ambiguities." She was referring to certain fundamental issues that remain unresolved after more than 20 years of Vatican-Jewish dialogue that began after Vatican Council II in 1965.

The chief Vatican spokesman, Joaquin Navarro Valls, announced at a press conference that the Pope's visit would take place in the afternoon of April 13. He said it would be the first such visit in living memory, though he could not be certain it would be an historic precedent.

Sheharansky in Poor Health?

JERUSALEM — Growing speculation that Anatoly Sheharansky is in poor health was confirmed recently by his wife, Avital. But she said a report that he was too ill to attend a banquet in his honor was "a little exaggerated."

Avital Sheharansky, who was reunited with her husband in West Germany on February 11 when he was released by Soviet authorities in an East-West prisoner exchange after spending nine years in Russian prisons and labor camps, said he "has to rest....He is resting now....He has to walk a lot."

She also disclosed that Sheharansky's sleep was disturbed by nightmares, "dreams of the punishment cell." He had been kept in solitary confinement for long periods during his incarceration as punishment for protesting against his harsh treatment.

Avital made her comments in reply to questions during a brief appearance before a conference here of the U.S. Union of Councils for Soviet Jewry; the British "Group of 35", which has been campaigning for emigration rights for Soviet Jews; and the Jerusalem-based Soviet Jewry Education and Information Center.

The "Group of 35" held a banquet in Tel Aviv in mid March to honor Sheharansky. He did not appear and Soviet aliya sources said he was too ill even to record greetings to the banquet.

The same sources said he has not been able to sleep or adapt to a normal diet after years of deprivation in the Soviet Gulag. According to these sources, Sheharansky, 38, has trouble walking any distance because of a heart condition.

But his wife said he was eating lots of fruit and vegetables for their vitamin content and her remark that "he has to walk a lot" seemed to scotch reports that he found walking difficult.

Concern over Sheharansky's health arose because he had not been in public for several weeks. He and his wife have been at a holiday resort in northern Israel. When the couple was reunited last month they hadn't seen each other since their wedding in Moscow in 1974. It was understood they would seek seclusion after the tumultuous welcome Sheharansky received on his arrival in Israel.

At that time he looked fit, walked briskly, spoke to reporters and addressed well-wishers at length. Doctors who examined him after his arrival found him to be well, though fatigued and suffering from an unspecified heart condition. Avital said her husband would have a second medical checkup after their holiday.

In Memoriam

HaGaon Rav Yaakov Kaminetsky, ZT'L HaGaon HaRav Reb Moshe Feinstein, ZT'L

By Rabbi Reuven P. Bulka

In the past month, the global Jewish community has suffered the loss of two giants of learning and leadership, Rabbi Yaakov Kaminetsky and Rabbi Moshe Feinstein.

Rabbi Kaminetsky lived to 95, and merited having 130 great-grandchildren. But he was also father to thousands of individuals who valued his advice. He exerted a profound influence over the development of meaningful Jewish education.

Only a few weeks after the passing of Rabbi Kaminetsky, the heavy blow of the passing of Rabbi Moshe Feinstein was felt across the world. Over 50,000 attended the funeral of Rabbi Feinstein in New York, and some 200,000 were at the funeral in Jerusalem.

When speaking in glowing

terms about greatness, one must realize that Rabbi Feinstein was in a class by himself. He was known to all by the affectionate title, "Reb Moshe." He was the Rebbe, the teacher par excellence, and it was superfluous to append a title to the name.

Reb Moshe was the pre-eminent authority on Jewish law in our time. He authored a multitude of classic responsa that are the centrepieces of any Rabbinic library. When he gave an halachic verdict, it was respected by all.

His influence went beyond the Jewish community. The surgeon-general of the U.S. went to see him recently to speak with him about problems related to the separating of siamese twins. When Dr. Koop went back to Washington to meet in committee on this issue, he told the meeting that he

would not venture forward on the matter until "the sage from the East Side" (Reb Moshe) rendered a decision, so overwhelmed was the surgeon-general by Reb Moshe.

Reb Moshe was not merely a great scholar and sage. He was an outstanding *menisch* in the most profound sense of the term. Once, when he was being taken by his students to a wedding, an overeager student closed the door on his finger. Reb Moshe was bleeding and in pain, but said nothing. Only after the driver left the overeager student at his house, did Reb Moshe ask the driver to take him to the hospital. The driver was horrified to see the bleeding finger and asked why his Rebbe did not order him to immediately head for the hospital. Reb Moshe, in greatness typical of him, said that as long as the student who had inflicted the damage was in the car, he could not ask, the student would have been so hurt at the thought of having injured him!

In his last hours, Reb Moshe, sick and weak as he was, was still answering questions from his hospital bed. To the remark that he was too weak to handle these questions, Reb Moshe said that as long as the people ask, he must provide the answers, since the people need him.

Now that Reb Moshe has left this world, we realize that we need him more than ever.

Correction

In the printing of our last issue, Leslie Klein's name was inadvertently omitted from the article concerning the Grossman Family contribution to Hillel Academy on the occasion of William and Lenke Grossman's 40th Wedding anniversary. It should have read: William and Lenke Grossman, \$15,000.; Vera and Leslie Klein, \$5,000.; Tom Grossman, \$5,000., for a total of \$25,000.

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George Burns at 90 stronger than ever

By Herbert G. Luft

HOLLYWOOD (JTA) — George Burns celebrated his 90th birthday recently on a network TV special, with a number of glamorous stars and fellow comedians participating. Earlier still, he surprised the public with his sixth book, "Dear George: Advice and Answers from America's Leading Expert on Everything From A to B."

In the meantime, he has once more proven his optimism by signing a five-year contract with Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas for his annual appearance as a headliner; he also continues to guest at the Palladium in London, but he refuses to commit himself for 10 years. He dryly remarks, that he cannot afford to die; he would lose his salary.

In reality, he is a multi-millionaire and enjoys his work on the night club stage, on TV and in the cinema more than the dough, of which he gives freely to charity. Such as the most recent \$2 million to the Hollywood Motion Picture Country Home. Commenting in jest, he said: "So I'll do without a couple of cigars. What the heck, the kids at the Country Home and Hospital (average age 82) deserve a bigger and better playground." He is no newcomer to philan-

thropy when his fellow entertainment workers are concerned, deeding earlier ownership in a \$500,000 supermarket to the Motion Picture Fund for the Elderly.

George's career in show business spans more than 80 years. Born Nathan Bimbaum on the lower East Side, he started in a children's quartet, became a roller skater and comedian in vaudeville, and turned successful when teaming up with Gracie Allen in 1925. As a married couple, they appeared on the Orpheum circuit, in Paramount short subjects on the screen, and on radio in England and the U.S. He made his feature film debut as himself in 1932 in "the Big Broadcast" followed by half a dozen movies until he started the long-running "Burns and Allen" television show for CBS.

He managed a surprise screen come-back when replacing the late Jack Benny in the filmization of Neil Simon's "The Sunshine Boys" opposite the much younger Walter Matthau. He since has starred in a dozen high-budgeted feature films, three times playing God without ever offending anyone's religious faith.

Burns confesses that food doesn't really interest him. He believes that his longevity is due to temperance in eating and drinking.



Stephen Schneiderman

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Harry Sherman, (left to right) Freda Lipson and Betty Rosenberg enjoy our combined Purim and birthdays celebration.

"Best is yet to come" for Golden Age Club

By Betty Rosenberg

I have heard the sounds of Spring, and with that, renewed hope for peace around our troubled world.

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Israel Youth Delegates (left to right) Daniella Neufeld, Dani Kreindler, Michal Margolit, Edit Izrachi, Guy Beiner and Guy Levi had their own booth at teen city wide Purim Carnival.

Israel Youth Delegation finds Ottawa teens the same — almost

By Estelle Melzer

Over the last six weeks, in classrooms across Canada, a lively exchange of views has been taking place between teens from two very different cultures, Canada and Israel. The centres of these discussions were six "typical" teens from Israel, chosen by their country for a unique program called The Israel Youth Delegation.

This program, begun in 1972, is co-sponsored by the Israeli Foreign Ministry and the Ministry of Education and Culture, with, as one participant phrased it, "a lot of help from the local Jewish Community Centres wherever we visit." Over the years, hundreds of Israeli teens have visited countries all over Europe and North and South America to talk about their country, their interests, their concerns, their lifestyle, and in the process, to demonstrate — and discover — that teens throughout the world are "not so different" after all.

The main focus of the program is outreach to non-Jewish teens, who may not know much about Israel. Thus the Israel Youth Delegates to Canada concentrated on visiting secular schools, both public and private, in order to reach the widest cross-section of youth. However, a secondary purpose of their visit was to learn about

the life of Canadian Jewish teens and exchange views with them. They stayed with Jewish host families who had teens their age, participated in Canadian Zionist Youth group activities, and visited Jewish schools such as Ottawa's Hillel Academy and the Ottawa Torah Institute. Their honesty, enthusiasm and openness to new experiences generated similar responses wherever they went. Their indefatigable spirit was motivated by the belief that they are really stand-ins for all Israeli teens. In the words of one of the delegates, "we want to bring something home to our classmates who couldn't come."

On a sunny morning near the end of the tour, four of the Youth Delegates paused to reflect on and recount the impressions they will take home of Canadian youth. Guy Beiner, 18, of Jerusalem and Michal Margolit, 17, of Haifa had travelled through the West, visiting Calgary, Winnipeg, Edmonton and Vancouver. Guy Levi, 16, of Rishon L'Tzayon and Daniella Neufeld, 17, of Ramat Gan had concentrated on Ontario. The two francophone delegates, Dani Kreindler, 17, of Haifa and Edit Izrachi, 17, of Petach Tikvah were visiting schools in Quebec that morning.

All the visitors agreed on one thing — teens everywhere are very much the same. They have the same kind of afterschool activities and are interested in the same topics. In fact, the Israelis had evolved a list they called the five D's, topics of sure-fire interest to the teens they meet: driving, drinking, dating, the draft, and drugs. The main differences in attitude they discovered during their talks with Canadian teens concern drinking and drugs. Neither is the "in" thing in Israel. Canadian teens were fascinated, for example, by the fact that Israel has no minimum drinking age but no teen drinking problem.

The Israelis offered various explanations for this phenomenon: "it's not part of the parental culture," "because it's legal, it's not interesting". Michal Margolit suggested that the explanation has more to do with the nature of her country. "As a teen," she said, "your" involved in the larger life of the country, the problems of the country." "When the Ethiopians came," she continued, "there was a feeling all over Israel that we had to help them."

The other Israelis all agree that they grew up with "a concern for our State" and were more political, more interested in the news, than Canadian youth. "In Israel," Guy Levi added, "kids have a strong feeling of national pride. Here pride is more local, your high school, and your hockey team." They were very impressed with the knowledge of and concern for Israel of the Jewish youth they met in the Canadian Zionist movement.

They were also impressed with the awareness of Israel they found generally among Canadian teens. The most common misconception they encountered was the belief that Israel was a war zone similar to Lebanon, with continual daily conflict. When asked how they answered politically "hot" issues, the Israeli teens responded: "We said what our own opinions were". Guy Beiner explained: "Kids in Israel have many different views on what their government should do. When we were selected for this program, we were told we should express our own views, whatever they are. I think the teens we talk to appreciate our honesty. It shows that Israel is a democracy and no 'big brother' is watching us."

The concern, enthusiasm and curiosity of the teens in the Youth Delegate program, if typical of Israeli youth, bodes well for the future strength of Israel's democracy.

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Jewish Community Centre News

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Israeli musical theatre star will highlight Yom Ha'Atzmaut '86

Shlomo Haviv has been captivating audiences all over North America with his irresistible personality and superb voice. A native of Haifa, Israel, he sings in a charming, romantic style, in fourteen languages, including Hebrew, Yiddish, English, French, and Greek.

As well as possessing strong vocal talents and a powerful stage presence, Shlomo Haviv writes and composes much of his own repertoire. He has performed in Carnegie Hall, the Israeli Festival, and served three years in the Israeli Army in Special Services, entertaining soldiers.

During Summer Stock and in many theatres across America, he has developed his musical theatre skills. Haviv has played Perchik in *Fiddler on the Roof*; Vernon Gershwitz in *They're Playing Our Song*; and Che Guevara in *Evita*, at the Town and Country Playhouse, Salem, N.H. He has also released two albums so far: *Shlomo Haviv Sings His Own* and *Shlomo Haviv*.

A "Superstar Tour" brought



Shlomo Haviv

Shlomo to Chile, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Acapulco, and several North American cities. Repeat engagements have already been booked.

Shlomo Haviv has succeeded in casting a spell, not only on his audiences but also on the entertainment critics: "Shlomo Haviv has a special charisma that shows you what is indeed smoldering within and slowly unwinds itself to leave you wanting to see more and more of

him and never having enough." — Jonathan Wilkes, Entertainment Daily; "Haviv is an appealing performer not only for his vocal excellence but also his charismatic style. You can't help but like his performance." — Ken Williams, Hollywood Sun Tattler; "Bravo Shlomo Haviv" — Earl Wilson, New York Post.

This young and dynamic singer, songwriter, actor, guitarist, and percussionist will make Yom Ha'Atzmaut 1986 a truly exciting and high spirited celebration.

Under the co-chairmanship of Allan and Naomi Cracower, this year's Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebration will take place on Tuesday, May 13 at the Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street. A light dinner at 5:30 will precede the program which will begin at 7:00. That special spirit or "ruach" generated by Shlomo Haviv and our many talented local performers is guaranteed to be contagious. The evening will end with community singing and dancing. Come out and join the celebration.



Congratulations to our Junior Floor Hockey Champions!

First Place: Ariel Grostern, Jordan Melzer, Michael Shaikin, Jonathon Strong, Daniel Strong.

Second Place: Joshua Max, Ehud Hysler, Ariel Breiner, Robbie Glenns, Jesse Friedman.

Third Place: Manny Olszynko, Loren Bidner, Benjamin Elkin, Martin Davidson, Simon Rabinovitch, Yorem Beck.

Fourth Place: Alex Kulik, Ari Herring, David Aaron, Ian Hoffman.

All our juniors were terrific, bringing a lot of enthusiasm to the Broadview gymnasium. Consistently high scores to note were Alex Kulik, Ari Herring and Manny Olszynko. Watch for T-ball scheduled to start May 11, Sundays — 1:30-3:00 p.m. Special thanks go to league coordinator, Brad Gobert.

Second Annual Inter-City Singles Weekend

May 17, 18, 19

Once again we're inviting
Montreal, Toronto and all
points in between to
celebrate with us

The Festival of Spring

WEEKEND HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

- Elegant Wine & Cheese Welcome Reception
Saturday, May 17
- Brunch & Tour of the Festival
Sunday, May 18
- Dance aboard the Sea Prince II (reserved for
our exclusive use)
Sunday, May 18
- Wind-up Brunch and Lecture on "The Art of
Muddling Through"
Monday, May 19

Tickets are: Wine & Cheese — \$5.00 in advance; \$7.00 at door
 Dance/Cruise — \$12.00 in advance; \$15.00 at door
 Brunch/Lecture — \$5.00 in advance; \$7.00 at door

Now on sale at the J.C.C. or through your friends: Miriam
 Birnbaum 829-7131, Cynthia Baboushkin 746-3722, Peter Wolte 521-5240.

Hey kids. We've got 2 programs that will suit you 2 a T

Junior Golf

Introduction to rules, course etiquette and basic strokes. A one day seminar sponsored by Pineview Municipal Golf Course.
DAY: Sunday, April 20 (tentative depending on weather)
TIME: 1:00-3:00 p.m.
COST: M-\$5.00; NM-\$10.00
LOCATION: Pineview Municipal Golf Course
 Open to boys and girls ages 10-14 (teens also eligible). Maximum of 20 participants.

Junior T-Ball

Come enjoy the sunshine — learn basic softball skills while having a great time with your friends. The league is scheduled to run for 6 Sundays (May 11-June 15); it is open to boys and girls aged 5-8. Please register early so we can establish our league format.
COST: M-\$10.00; NM-\$25.00
LOCATION: 881 Broadview Avenue
TIME: Sundays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
 Coaches needed. How about it dad — or mom!

Call 232-7306 to register for these programs.

**CALLING IN ALL
BOOK LOANS FROM
THE J.C.C. LIBRARY**

As we are now in the process of reorganizing our Library, we would greatly appreciate the return of all outstanding books.

**NO OVERDUE
CHARGES
NO DIRTY LOOKS**

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
The Library Committee

JCC SUMMER CAMP SCOREBOARD (as of April 1)

Camp	Session I	Session II
1/2 Day Squirt	FULL	FULL
Squirt	12	7
Sports 7-8 years	FULL	FULL
Sports 9-12 years	19	16
Theatre Arts 8-10 years	19	4
Theatre Arts 11-13 years	4	
Day Camp	108	75

Spots are limited and filling up quickly. Don't miss the fun. Register now.

ERIC BLUNDELL

registered massage therapist with
30 years of experience in England and Canada
is returning to the Jewish Community Centre

He will be available Wednesdays & Thursdays*
12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
for a 3/4 hour session of Swedish massage
for men or women

Fee: Health Club Member \$17.00
 JCC Member \$25.00
 Non-Member \$30.00

To book an appointment call 232-7306, ext. 49
 *Arrangements can also be made to book appointments at other times.

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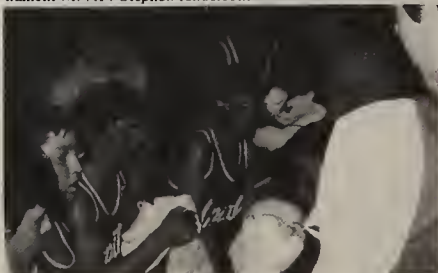
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Phys. Ed. News

Phys. Ed. Director: Greg Richards



The All-Star team chosen at the first annual JCC Junior Basketball Tournament, consisted of Yossi Even-Han (left to right), Andrew Hayes, Minh Vu, Chris Saygon, Junior Charles and tournament M.V.P. Stephen Anderson.



Ottawa Capitals take a break and talk strategy with their coach, Barry Bregman.

JCC Junior Basketball Tournament a winner!

The Jewish Community Centre hosted its first annual junior basketball tournament Saturday, March 15 and Sunday, March 16. Teams from Greenbank Public School, Glashan Public School, and the Gloucester Wolverines joined our own Ottawa Capitals at the J.C.C. gym for the two day tournament. The Capitals, coached by Barry Bregman, put on a fine showing against stiff competition. The Gloucester Wolverines, however, coached by Gerry Hayes, eventually won the tournament over Greenbank Public School coached by Graham Marcellus. Glashan Public School took third place honours with the J.C.C. Capitals placing fourth. All teams played exceptionally well and are looking forward to next year's tournament. Special thanks to our local sponsors (see box below) who made the tournament possible.

Notes:
• The Tournament All Star team was made up of Andrew Hayes (Gloucester), Junior Charles (Gloucester), Minh Vu (Glashan), Yossi Even Han (Capitals), and Chris Saygon (Glashan). Tournament Most Valuable Player honours went to Steve Anderson (Greenbank).

• The J.C.C. Capitals are trying to put together a team to represent Ottawa in the Junior Maccabiah games in Toronto August 15-21. We still need at least eight male basketball players, ages 12-16 who are available to practice over the summer. Call Greg Richards at 232-7306 ext. 47 if you are interested.

Thank You, Junior Basketball Tournament Sponsors

The first annual JCC Junior Basketball Tournament was made possible through the hard work of a number of individuals. Ottawa Capitals coach Barry Bregman was instrumental in ensuring the success of the event, as were volunteers such as Danny Marzel, Aaron Marzel, and Joel Ekstein. Financial support from local sponsors really made the tournament a quality event, enabling the acquisition of qualified refereeing, and trophies or medals for all players. Many thanks for the generous support of the following sponsors: Aigulnik & Greenberg-Chartered Accountants, Dr. Michel Bastien, The Bregman Family, Commercial Tire and Battery, Mr. Morley Goldfield, Hartman IGA, Kiddie Kobbler-St. Laurent, Mr. Percy Levine, Minio Construction, Palmer and Levitan, Ritchie's Sport Shop, The Sherbrooke Group Ltd., Thelen Toronto, Mr. Steven Victor, Dr. Jay Weisbloom, M. Zagerman & Co. Ltd.



Sadinsky In Right

by Ian R. Sadinsky

Ball Genesis

In this up and down world of local sports, it is not often that people back off for a moment and ask the telling question "What hath we wrought?" (I apologize if I messed up the conjugation!)

But that is in fact what happened last week when the best minds of the Ottawa Jewish Men's Softball League (Solly Patrontash, Ron Boro, Greg Richards, and a host of captains and other interested parties) got together and decided that the only way to bring parity to the league was to start over from scratch.

So as you sit reading this column, the phones are lighting up around town and players are being asked a most personal question — "Do you want to play 'A' (competitive) or 'B' (recreational) ball?"

What this question really means is — Are you prepared to leave the safety of your friends and relations? Do you think you are still good enough to play with the best? Are you prepared to open the league to newcomers, outsiders, and even those of questionable skills?

My assessment — overwhelmingly positive. My views on the slow decay of the league were presented here last summer and

I welcome this initiative to re-invigorate the league.

New friendships, new rivalries, a vehicle for community integration — this is what the league is all about.

So what if there are a few bruised egos, a few noses out of joint. There are dozens of players who have been longing for this opportunity to join one of the finest social programs in this city.

So call the Centre and get your name on a team. And get the wives, kids, and grandparents ready for the finest Sunday mornings (they're back!) of their lives.

The Jewish Men's Softball League is back. L'Chayim!

The Final Two

Enter one league, exit another. Billy Holzman's Blue Devils and Jeff Pleet's Green Machine have fought their way into the finals of the Jewish Men's Basketball League. Green knocked off Eric Schwartz' game Burgundy Whiners to advance to the finals, while two-time champion Blue outlasted Mark Shore's White Swans to get to the title tilt.

The basketball league did achieve parity this year and the excitement and enjoyment level increased exponentially.

Southern Ace

Pleased to record that Rideau View's Ruth Karp achieved the golfer's dream this winter by canning a 120 yard tee shot at Fort Lauderdale's Pine Island Ridge golf course. Husband Harry was one of the foursome that witnessed the unusual feat. This week's tip of the SIR cap to Ruth Karp!

That's SIR for now. See you in two.

Surprise winners in Men's Basketball play

Playoff action in the Men's Basketball League produced a number of surprises. Eliot Shore's White team upset Perry Medico's Gold team to move into the semifinals. White benefited from Mark Shore's 19 points and John Horowitz's 18 points to win the match 57-53. Perry Medico responded with 22 points for Gold.

In other action, fifth place Burgundy defeated the favoured Red team 31-27. High scorer for Burgundy was Al Torontov with 11 points. Rob Greenberg responded with 10 points for Red.

In semifinal action, a fired-up White team, paced by the hot shooting of John Horowitz and Eliot Birnbaum, nearly upset the heavily favoured Blue team. Blue, minus court general Billy Holzman because of injury, hung on to defeat the challengers 51-46. Clutch shooting by Jeff Friedman, Corey Stevens and Mark Palmer gave Blue the win in the

final two minutes of play.

The semifinal match-up between Green and Burgundy proved to be just as exciting as underdog Burgundy came to within 2 points of second place Green. Green managed to preserve the 2 point lead to win a berth in the finals against Blue. High scorer for Green was League scoring champion Jeff Pleet with 15. Al Torontov responded with 14 for Burgundy.

Notes:
• Our new scoreboard is a welcome addition. Thanks to Pure Spring/Seven Up for sponsoring the board. Special thanks to Ben Karp and Mervin Mirsky for making it happen.
• An all star team from the men's basketball league is scheduled to play in the Montreal YM/YWHA tournament April 12 & 13. League convener Perry Medico has been instrumental in organizing the team. Good luck guys!

Mazel Tov — JCC All Star Basketball team!

An all star team from the J.C.C. Men's Basketball League put on a strong showing in the Jack Purcell Tournament held on March 22 and 23. Our players won 2 out of 3 games to win the consolation finals in their division. Congratulations to Jeff Pleet who won the Fair Play Award, and to the following team members for their impressive showing against stiff competition: Glen Durstenfeld, Jeff Friedman, Bill Holzman, John Horowitz, Nathan Levine, Perry Medico, Chuck Schachnow, Jeff Pleet, Alan Torontov and Joel Zagerman. The team is also scheduled to play against J.C.C. teams from Montreal and Toronto in Montreal's Snowdon Y.M.H.A. tournament April 12 and 13.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

Registration Night:
Wednesday, April 16
7:00 p.m.

Location:
Broadview
Campus



— A perfect opportunity to meet your teammates, and your rivals before the season starts. Cost per player remains at \$40.00. Make cheques payable to the Jewish Community Centre.

Leading Scorers Men's Basketball — Second Half

	Total Points	Avg.
Jeff Pleet	198	19.8
Perry Medico	163	17.1
Charles Schachnow	138	13.8
Mike Zunder	126	12.6
Eliot Birnbaum	115	11.5

The Director and Staff of the
Jewish Community Centre wish
you a

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Volunteerism: carpet of assistance on floor of need

By David Ingre

Communities throughout this country draw on a multitude of funded, sponsored or beneficiary agencies and organizations striving to dispense the services which ease the lives of countless individuals. They cater to the middle-aged and the middle class, the average, the well and the comfortable, by providing fitness and continuing education courses, meeting places and day-care. Community centres, hospitals, half-way houses, crisis centres and other facilities also offer assistance and programs for the young, the old, the poor, the handicapped, the sick, the destitute and the desperate.

Money percolates down from tax dollars; it is raised and allocated by the United Way and its family of agencies; it is acquired and assigned by specialty overseeing bodies set up by ethnic organizations; and it is retrieved from countless foundations, trust funds, service clubs and private donations. Professional staff, both civil servants and non-government employees, are swamped by too many cases of equal urgency, drawing their usually inadequate salaries from the often frenetic juggling of insufficient dollars.

But despite the breadth and depth of this carpet of assistance, it can cover only a portion of the gigantic floor of need. Around the borders work flocks of volunteers, giving their time and energies (and often their money) for the human satisfaction of helping others. Conversations with professionals confirm that the armies of volunteers who take on the often thankless tasks which are essential to society's wellbeing, keep many of our social services from grinding to a halt in the face of mounting decay, dilapidation, despair and reduced government funding. Without the long-term commitment of people who often receive little recognition, immigrants would be more quickly discarded after governments' short-lived involvement, invalids and shut-ins would receive neither rides nor special meals, children and teenagers would more often loiter on our cities' mean streets, charities would never sell enough fundraising tickets, and our world and our community would indeed degenerate.

Intrigued by the phenomenon of volunteerism, and having "done some time" myself, I looked for some kind of common underpinning to the motivations of volunteers in the Ottawa area Jewish Community. There are, in a sense, two highly distinct kinds of individuals involved. On one hand, there are the voluntary sector's "over achievers". These are the "high flyers", the unusual men and women who have reached the levels of professional and personal — and often financial — success which bring repeated acknowledgement. They are the heads of organizations, the chairpersons of committees, the leaders in their spheres, the followers of "In Search of Excellence". They are the "pillars" of the Community; and without them, we could not really have a functioning and successful

Jewish Community at all. But their very prominence limits numbers. And they alone could not possibly possess enough hands to meet all those which reach out for assistance or advice.

And so we find the second group of volunteers in our Community. These are the "unsung heroes", the "silent majority" of volunteer demography, the people whose ambitions run along quieter avenues towards more anonymous goals. They are the "foot soldiers" of what is a kind of war on need. Seldom "mentioned in despatches", even more rarely "decorated", they nonetheless choose to return time and again to the front lines of tiny skirmishes and miniature battles. Some of them, those who help others by lending new educational opportunities or by lessening the stress of constant inconvenience, may find the going relatively easy: the human condition occupies a firm footing. Others, slogging through loneliness, poverty and helplessness, probably sense that our social services cannot really win in the long run. But, uplifted by their own results and by the appreciation of those they serve, they also know that we do not need to lose.

Throughout European history, Jewish communities were conspicuous by the internal service structures they built. Often, of course, this administrative wellspring was the only means of self-protection in a rapidly hostile environment. In more friendly times, it may have been stimulated as well by something in the Jewish ethos, a reflection of that Jewish communal character which prompted Golda Meir to gently mock Anwar Sadat by pointing out that she had to preside over three million presidents. The basic "minyanyan", they say, brings forth at least eleven different opinions. Each may become the spokesman for another perceived need within the community, the vanguard of another service component.

Educated guesses put the Ottawa area's Jewish population at approximately 10,000 people. Enough, you might expect, to justify and sustain a framework of half a dozen or so bits and pieces of organizations. And, you might conclude, there are several score volunteers who help them function. The reality is far different.

The backbone of direct service to the local Community is the Jewish Social Services

Agency (JSSA), whose professional counselling services led to its status as a member agency of the United Way. The JSSA is fortunate in being able to employ qualified staff professionals. It is blessed in having attracted a network of dedicated volunteers. But what JSSA services are performed in whole or in part by these unpaid contributors?

There is the Teleshalom Program, which maintains human contact and lends a sense of security through phone calls to shut-ins. There is the Friendly Visits Program, which does much to stem the bitter loneliness of people — often ill, usually aged — who, it would seem, are otherwise forgotten. There is the Transportation Program, which allows the elderly and the infirm to shop, to visit friends, to go on a picnic, to get to the dentist or the doctor. There is Meals on Wheels, which ensures a well-balanced diet three times a week to people who would find it difficult or impossible to buy or prepare their own. There are a variety of workshops and other programs, co-sponsored with the Jewish Community Centre, an administrative unit separate from the Jewish Community Council or Vaad Ha'ir. There is the JSSA's Board of Directors, whose volunteer members bear responsibility for the Community's overall welfare. And, as a part of JSSA, there is the Jewish Immigrant Aid Service, whose staff and volunteers lay paving stones in the often treacherous road walked by those who have left or fled their origins for increased opportunity or for simple freedom.

Counting on the strenths of its volunteers, the Jewish Community Council, the Jewish Community Centre and the Jewish Community Campus manage a whole host of committees, panels, task forces and programs. Both the needy and

the not so needy benefit. Community volunteers serve on the Planning, Priorities and Budget Committee and its Panels on Jewish Education, Individual and Group Services, on its Task Forces on the J.C.C./Vaad relationship, the Vaad/Hillel Academy roles, on Teen Programs and more.

Other volunteers donate evenings or days to Community Relations, to Soviet Jewry, to the Holocaust Remembrance Committee, to Hom Ha'atzmaut celebrations, to Adult Education, to Arts Alive, to activities and programs for Golden Age, for "50 plus", and for Hillel Lodge, to the Human Resources Committee or the Audit or Grants Committees, to the Chevre Kadisha or to the Eruv. And more volunteers still ensure the success of the religious and day schools, the synagogue Brotherhoods and Sisterhoods, the all-important U.J.A. campaign and the Tu B'Shvat telethon. Money is raised and people here and in Israel are given assistance through the work of volunteers in B'nai Brith and B'nai Brith Women, in O.R.T. and in Hadassah-WIZO, in Pioneer Women and in the National Council of Jewish Women, in the Canadian Zionist Federation and the Jewish National Fund, in Tamir and in the Israel Bonds organization; and there are more. You must also remember that many of these same people still find the time and the energy to contribute to the non-Jewish community around them through their efforts with the United Way, with Rotary International and with Kiwanis, with Kinsmen and with Masons, with Big Sisters and with Big Brothers, and yet with others.

Many men and women serve in more than one capacity, in more than one committee or club. But the total number of people in the Ottawa area's Jewish Community who devote

a little or a lot to the betterment of their fellows' lives is estimated at over a thousand. And that, when you ponder a little and do a touch of simple arithmetic, is really quite amazing. It accounts for some ten percent of all Jewish men, women and children in this Community!

All of us derive comfort and advantage from our society and our Community. Most of us contribute — in greater or lesser measure — through tax-deductible donations. But if you are not yet devoting what is just as precious — your time, your energy, your talents — you ought to consider doing so now. The ten percent I mentioned is more than commendable; twenty percent would be better. The rewards far outweigh the costs. And this kind of "tzedakah" is just as much of a "mitzvah" as anything that can be written on a cheque.

Over the next while, I'll be talking to some of the "foot soldiers" I spoke about. Through the pages of the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin and Review, I hope to give you glimpses of interesting lives and give them a bit of the recognition and the praise they deserve. And I hope to obtain for myself understanding of what makes our volunteers tick so reliably.

**After the movies
After the show
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The place to go!**

Passover Information

*Please note that the MASHGIACH will be present at the PELICAN FISHERY, Richmond Road at Carling, during the following special hours for KOSHER FOR PASSOVER FISH:

Wednesday, April 16 from 10 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Sunday, April 20 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

As of May 7, the regular Wednesday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon hours will prevail, with a Mashgiach present.

*The following SEATEST dairy products will be available beginning Friday afternoon, April 18:

*Milk

*Sourcream

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In memory of Issie B. Fleisher by Cyril and Judy Danjoux.

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Mazal Tov to Isabel and Norman Lesh on the engagement of their son Donny to Miss Liz Epelbaum of Montreal by Claire and Irving Bercovitch and family.

Mazal Tov to Claire and Irving Bercovitch on the engagement of their daughter Susan to Mr. Martin Usher of Toronto by Lee and Donald Chodikoff and family; and by Irv and Vi Cutler and family.

In memory of Sarah Hops, Mtl. by Claire and Irving Bercovitch and family.

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In loving memory of a dear mother-in-law and grandmother Gussie Rakier Berke on the occasion of her Yartzheit, Adar 2, March 23, 1986 by Sarah Berke and family.

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In memory of Gertrude Cohen by Lena Michelson; and by Joy and Max Rosenstein.

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Anniversary wishes to Harvey and Yvonne Lithwick by Vicki and Earl Weiss, Mass.

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Mazal Tov to Irving and Claire Bercovitch on the engagement of their daughter Susan to Mr. Martin Usher of Toronto by Mendel and Valerie Good.

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Birthday wishes to Aunt Rose Fine by Lorry and Carol Greenberg and family.

Congratulations to Michael Greenberg on his engagement to Miss Elissa Briskin of Montreal by Sally and Morton Taller.

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In memory of Pauline Zellick, Boston, sister of Bessie Taller and Benes and Morris Cantor by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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Mazal Tov to William and Lenke Grossman on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary by Laura and Milton Greenberg; and by Mary and Len Potechin and family.

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In honour of Evelyn and Norman Potechin on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary by Libby and Stan Katz.

Wishing a speedy recovery to Andy Katz by Carol and Lorry Greenberg.

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Birthday wishes to Lil Laks by the staff of Vaad and UJA. Birthday wishes to Betty Itzcovitch by the staff of Vaad and UJA.

In memory of Mendel Friedlander by Canada-Israel Foundation.

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Mazal Tov to Pauline Hochberg on the birth of a grandson Michael Chaim Sklar, Toronto by Mrs. Sarah Zelikovitz; and by Sally and Morton Taller.

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Best wishes to Musia Kizell on her special birthday by Sonia Kizell.

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ARNOLD AND ROSE LITHWICK FUND

Wishing Mrs. Reva Kroll a r'fuah sh'lemah by Harvey and Yvonne Lithwick and family; by Barry and Marietta Lithwick and family; and by Irwin and Monique Lithwick and family, Toronto.

IRVING AND ELLEN LITHWICK FUND

In memory of Pauline Zellick, Boston, sister of Bessie Taller and Benes and Morris Cantor by Irving and Ellen Lithwick.

JACK AND DORA LITWACK MEMORIAL FUND

Mazal Tov to Sam and Dora Litwack on the engagement of their son Paul Michael to Miss Shira Roskies of Montreal by Lee and Donald Chodikoff and family.

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Mazal Tov to Henry Molot on being named a Queen's Counsel by Sandy, Jerry, Mira and Naomi Shuman, Toronto; by Sonia Kizell; and by Harold and Phyllis Leikin.

Mazal Tov to Hanna Bernstein on her engagement to Allan Sugarman by Maureen and Henry Molot and family.

In memory of Mendel Friedlander, Mtl., father of Rosa Stone by Maureen and Henry Molot.

MOSHE AND MOLLY NARVA FUND

In honour of Harry Sherman on his 80th birthday by Molly Narva and family.

PINKAS NEWMAN ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Pauline Zellick, Boston, sister of Bessie Taller and Benes and Morris Cantor by Jeanne and Pinkas Newman.

OTTAWA MODERN JEWISH SCHOOL FUND

Best wishes to Abe Palmer on his special birthday by Avraham, Elissa, Michal and Daniel Iny.

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Heartiest Mazal Tov to Irv-

ing and Evelyn Rivers on the engagement of Ilia to Allan Ruckenstein by Archie and Lillian Taller; by Morton and Sally Taller; by Sylvia Shinder; by Ethel and David Malek and family; and by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.

JACOB AND LEAH RIVERS MEMORIAL FUND

Wishing a r'fuah sh'lemah to Nat Steinman by Irving and Evelyn Rivers.

In memory of Pauline Zellick, Boston, sister of Bessie Taller and Benes and Morris Cantor by Irving and Evelyn Rivers; and by Albert and Goldie Rivers.

In memory of Samuel Finkelman by Irving and Evelyn Rivers.

HERMAN AND ZELDA ROODMAN FUND

Best wishes for continued health and success to Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Schecter by Zelda and Herman Roodman.

Best wishes to Susan Roodman by Ethyle Kapeller; by Lottie Shainbaum; by Ann Polowin; by Sally Appovite; and by Ida Gaffen.

With much appreciation and warmest wishes to Mrs. Dora Danoff by Zelda and Herman Roodman.

SAMUEL AND LILLIAN SASLOVE FUND

Mazal Tov to Norma and Phil Lazear on the marriage of their daughter Lori to Mr. Shabtay Lazarovitch by Carol and Harvey Goodman and family, Toronto.

Mazal Tov to Barry and Nili Saslove, Israel on the birth of their new daughter Yasmin by Dorothy and Maurie Karp and family.

Mazal Tov to Sam and Lil Saslove on the birth of a new granddaughter Yasmin by Dorothy and Maurie Karp and family.

Mazal Tov to Chaya and Yechiel Allon, Israel on the birth of a new granddaughter Yasmin Saslove by Dorothy and Maurie Karp and family.

In memory of Pauline Zellick, Boston, sister of Bessie Taller and Benes and Morris Cantor by Sam and Lil Saslove.

SAM AND DORA SCHAENFIELD FUND

Mazal Tov to our son-in-law Moshe Helman in his new business venture by Sam and Dora Schaenfield.

Wishing a r'fuah sh'lemah to Jack Post, Mtl. by Sam and Dora Schaenfield.

DR. AND MRS. NATHAN SCHECTER FUND

Mazal Tov to Dr. Nathan Schecter on being honoured by the Ottawa Academy of Medicine for 30 years of dedicated service as a physician by Ethyle Kapeller; by Hannah and Paul Sibeth; by Lily and Morris Lang; by George, Mary and Jennifer Mountain; and by Carolyn and Allan Macdonald.

Every good wish to our brother-in-law Dr. Ben Davis, Jerusalem for good health by Lily and Morris Lang.

In memory of Pauline Zellick, Boston, sister of Bessie Taller and Benes and Morris Cantor by Tesse and Nathan Schecter.

HAROLD SHAFFER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Gertrude Cohen by Frances Shaffer.

In memory of Julia Golden Rodier by Frances Shaffer.

SYLVIA SHERMAN MEMORIAL FUND

In honour of Harry Sherman on the occasion of his 80th birthday by Mendel and Valerie Good; by Valerie Nadelles; by Sandy and Michael Shaver; by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spector; by Syd and Ethel Hartman; by Lillian and Morris Kimmel; by David and Judy Kalin; by Judge and Mrs. J. Nadelles; by Anne Taller; by Jeanette and Kenneth Radnoff; by Joe and Anne Cratzburg; by Ethel and Percy Adelman; by Rose and Moe Litwack; by Molly Borenstein; by Molly and Morris Berliner; by Eva and Hymie Snyder; by Roslyn and Gerald Snyder; by Abe Snyder; by Rickie and Marty Saslove and family; by Norman and Judith Tenenbaum; and by Polly and Bob Goldman.

ARNOLD SHINDER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Wishing a r'fuah sh'lemah to Bernard Shinder by Sol and Zelaine Shinder; and by Carol and Lorry Greenberg and family.

CECIL AND FLORENCE SHINDER FUND

Mazal Tov to Ethel and David Malek on the engagement of their daughter Audrey to Dr. Irwin Kreisman of Montreal by Florence and Cecil Shinder.

Mazal Tov to Irving and Evelyn Rivers on the engagement of Ilia to Allan Ruckenstein by Florence and Cecil Shinder.

Congratulations to Dr. Nathan Schecter on his 50th anniversary as a graduate of Medicine from McGill University by Florence and Cecil Shinder.

In memory of Marcia Miller by Florence and Cecil Shinder.

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SOL AND ZELAINÉ SHINDER FUND

In observance of the Yartzheit of a dear father and grandfather Max Speisman by Zelaine, Sol, Neil and Jeff Shinder.

In observance of the Yartzheit of a dear Uncle Joe Halperin by Zelaine, Sol, Neil and Jeff Shinder.

MOE SLACK MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Pauline Zellick, Boston, sister of Bessie Taller and Benes and Morris Cantor by Charlotte Slack; and by Nell and Fred Schlessinger.

JACK AND LINDA SMITH FUND

Mazal Tov to Larry and Sheila Hartman on their achievements by Jack and Linda Smith.

In memory of Issie B. Fleisher by Jack and Linda Smith; by Karla Smith; by Eileen and Robert Menes, Vancouver; by David Smith; and by Patricia Litwinczuk.

In memory of Carmen Viner by Jack and Linda Smith.

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In memory of Fanny Diner, Mtl. by Ellie and Max Greenberg.

In honour of Elliott

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WASERMAN FAMILY MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Issie B. Fleisher by the Wasserman Family.

HARRY AND RAE WEIDMAN MEMORIAL FUND

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It is much appreciated.

Bessie Taller, Benes Cantor
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Thank You

Sincere thanks to my many relatives and friends for their expressions of concern, good wishes and donations to charitable organizations during my recent illness. You will be glad to know I am slowly regaining my former energies.

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Community Calendar

Sunday, April 13

Beth Shalom General Meeting, Assembly Hall, J.C.C., 10 a.m.
 Hadassah-WIZO Amit Chapter Fashion Party Fundraiser, 141 Bentley, Bay 'L', 10-4 p.m.
 Commonwealth Jewish Exhibit, Social Hall, J.C.C., 1-4 p.m.
 Uncle Moishy Concert, Fisher Park High School, 250 Holland Avenue, 1:30 p.m.
 Young Israel Kasher Delights, Young Israel, 627 Kirkwood Avenue, 4-7 p.m.
 Beth Shalom West Dinner/Dance, Beth Shalom West, 15 Chartwell Avenue, 6 p.m.
 Singles Video/Discussion Night, "Ordinary People", Speaker: Dr. R.D. Chandrasena, 2824C Sandalwood, 7 p.m.

Monday, April 14

State of Israel Bonds and the Weizmann Institute Cocktail Party, Home of Simone and Arnell Goldberg, 485 Island Park Drive, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15

50+ Drop-In Centre, 50+ Lounge, J.C.C., 1:30 p.m.
 Teachers Workshop on the Holocaust, Education Resource Centre, Jewish Community Campus, 881 Broadview Avenue, 7-10 p.m.
 ORT Chavarot Chapter Meeting, Topic: Gardening with Martin Fine, Home of Heidi Pivnick, 66 Craig Henry Drive, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16

50+ Bridge Club, 50+ Lounge, J.C.C., 1 p.m.
 Agudath Israel Sisterhood Board Meeting, Agudath Israel, 1400 Coldrey Avenue, 1 p.m.
 50+ Chess Club, 50+ Lounge, J.C.C., 7 p.m.
 Vaad Board of Trustees Meeting, Social Hall, J.C.C., 7:30 p.m.
 Singles Cocktails, Hartwell's, Westin Hotel, 9 p.m.

Thursday, April 17

Women's Federation and Women's Division — U.J.A. Trip to Montreal: "Precious Legacy", Machzikei Hadas, 7 a.m.
 Adults for Lively Leisure Luncheon, Agudath Israel, 1400 Coldrey Avenue, 12:30 p.m.
 Singles Badminton, Gymnasium, J.C.C., 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 20

Young Israel Kasher Delights, Young Israel, 627 Kirkwood Avenue, 4-7 p.m.
 Singles Bowling Night, Preston Lanes, 351 Preston Street, 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 24

First Day Pesach — Building Closed.

Friday, April 25

Second Day Pesach — Building Closed

Wednesday, April 30

Seventh Day Pesach — Building Closed

Thursday, May 1

Eighth Day Pesach — Building Closed

Sunday, May 4

Beth Shalom Family Brunch, Social Hall, J.C.C., 9:30 a.m.
 Jewish National Fund Blue Box Blitz, Assembly Hall, J.C.C., 10 a.m.
 Yom Hashoah Ceremony, Holocaust Memorial, Jewish Community Cemetery, Highway 31, 11-12 p.m.
 Young Israel Kasher Delights, Young Israel, 627 Kirkwood Avenue, 4-7 p.m.
 Shalom Welcome Service Annual Wine and Cheese Party, Social Hall, J.C.C., 8 p.m.

This information is taken from the community calendar maintained by the Women's Federation of the Jewish Community Council. Organizations who would like their events to be listed, no matter where they are to be held, should make sure they are recorded by calling 232-7306 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Provide accurate details.

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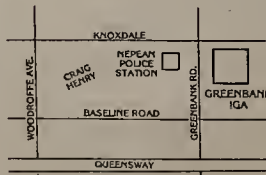
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